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Ft. Benning's Only 'Gob' Knows Land Combat Best

BY SGT. WALTER MILLER
Marion O. Williams, Pharmacist's Mate 2-c, is the only sailor stationed at Fort Benning. He claims he has no idea why he, of all "gobs," was picked to represent the bluejackets at "America's Most Complete Army Post."

But many a soldier has learned, to his surprise, that if anybody in the Navy is qualified to rub shoulders with Doughboys, it's Pharmacist's Mate Williams. It usually happens like this:

Williams, whose home is in Royston, Ga., is sipping a brew or some java, or making his selections at the juke box, when some Combat Infantryman spots the ribbons which Williams wears on his jumper. There are the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with three battle stars, the European and American theater ribbons, Presidential citation bar, and Navy Good Conduct ribbon (the last of which, incidentally, takes a sailor three years to earn).

"See some action, I see," the Infantryman begins, swelling out his own chestful of decorations. At this point Williams knows exactly what's coming.

"But you know, sailor," the Doughboy says tolerantly, "you guys in the Navy don't really know how tough a war can be. You've done your fighting on nice clean ships, firing at an enemy who's miles away half the time, eating hot food from clean utensils, sleeping with a roof over your head—you don't know what it's like to have to dig a hole in a foxhole, sleep in mud, eat mud, breathe mud."

The Infantryman looks triumphant, he knows no sailor can match that!

Was on Sea Duty
Then Williams tells his story. After a tour of Atlantic sea-duty with the medical detachment on a transport, he was assigned to the Williams explains, don't have a separate medical department, but as a branch of the Navy, they take naval pharmacists into combat with them. Williams wore a Marine uniform in the land battles of the Marianas, Guam and Bougainville.

"The worst mud of all was the mud on Bougainville," Williams tells the Doughboy; "those were the skinningest jungles I ever dug a foxhole in. Sometimes I had to dress wounds for their men with my company with hand-to-hand combat going on all around me. At night I used to lie in a foxhole, eat mud, hot food, or any food, that didn't taste like mud and rations."

Yes, the soldiers stationed at the Fort Benning Armed Forces Induction Station, where Williams picks inductees for the Navy, feel that if any sailor is qualified to rub shoulders with Doughboys at the home of The Infantry-School, it's Pharmacist's Mate 2-c Williams, USN.

Cigars By Box On Sale at PX

Cigars by the box may be purchased this week at Post Exchanges Capt. George Kelly, assistant PX officer, announced yesterday. A large shipment of first brand cigars were received in the past few days and PX officials decided to permit retail sales for possible Christmas gifts.

One box will be sold to military personnel or civilians authorized PX privileges.

Baker Village Kids Collect Xmas Gifts For Post Soldiers

Santa Claus will visit Service Club No. 1, Main Post, on Christmas eve. It was announced today by Mrs. Margaret S. Holman, director.

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GIs Start Home For Xmas

Elaborate Plans Made For Yuletide On Post

Turkey to Be Served Tuesday; Religious Programs Arranged

BY SGT. GEORGE W. SCHULTZ
Fort Benning is expected to assume the form of a partial "deserted village" next week when well over half of the officer and enlisted personnel will use every means of transportation available to take advantage of the military Yuletide holiday and "get home for Christmas."

The holiday exodus has already commenced for many soldiers who took advantage of the military holiday for the first peacetime Christmas in five years. Training schedules will cease by Saturday in most major commands and personnel given the opportunity to head home.

Only skeleton crews will be left to handle the necessary administrative, and fatigue details in both the Infantry School and The Parachute School. Lawson Field personnel will split the holiday with half enjoying Christmas on pass and the other half having New Year's off.

First Army troops also will adopt the split holiday plan for personnel, while Army Service Forces, whose administration and maintenance work will necessarily continue at a reduced tempo, has authorized leave and furlough for all soldiers and civilians who can possibly be spared.

Plans elaborate Yuletide For those soldiers who must of necessity spend their Yuletide at Fort Benning, elaborate religious and social programs have been planned throughout the holiday period.

Full course turkey dinners will be the fare for all post mess halls at noon Christmas Day with a similar menu planned for New Year's day also.

Christmas passes will be accorded as many patients of the Army Service Forces Regional Hospital as their condition allows. But bed-ridden patients will not be forgotten this Christmas.

American Legion of Columbus and other groups in this section of Georgia will have an attractive and easy-to-remember Christmas holiday wrap-up of mailings and trimmings and all.

The postoffice will handle delivery of mail once on Christmas Day and maintain a twice-a-day schedule on other week days during the holidays.

Midnight Mass will be conducted in the Main Theatre on Christmas Eve under the direction of Capt. John V. Dunne, new Catholic chaplain. Four other Catholic chaplains will assist in saying the mass which in past years has been held in the Main Theatre to overflowing.

Special Communion services will also be held Christmas Eve at the Main Post Chapel, with Maj. Frederick Helfer and Capt. Theodore Bacheler, in charge of the service. All chaplains will special programs Christmas Day.

An old-fashioned Christmas carol service has been arranged by Mrs. J. O. Methvin, choir director of the Main Post Chapel. More than 200 members will walk from area to area on the Main Post to usher in the first peacetime Christmas of five years.

Service Club No. 1 has scheduled an hour's organ recital in the Main Theatre on Christmas Eve.

War department orders assigning General Caffey to Fort Benning. General Caffey, who has been in the post for more than two years, has been on sick leave since October 16. He is scheduled for appearance before an Army retiring board. Colonel James O. Tarbox is serving as acting post commander until the arrival of General Caffey.

General Hobson is a close friend of General Caffey and expressed pleasure Thursday upon learning the War Department's choice for his successor.

He is a distinguished soldier," General Hobson said, "and has many friends at Fort Benning and in Columbus."

General Hobson's biographical sketch of General Caffey may be found on Page five.

Package Wrapping At 11th St. USO Popular With GIs

A Christmas package wrapping service has been set up at the 11th Street USO this past couple of weeks, officials of the club report in reminding GIs that late packages can still be attractively trimmed.

Heading a volunteer list of volunteers is Miss Eva Zacharias who together with her helpers have conducted a shopping service for Christmas gifts for soldiers who'd rather have the feminine touch in picking out presents for the "gal back home."

The wrapping service will continue through this week, Miss Zacharias announced.

Don't Let Yourself Be Gypped on Photostat: Go To Legitimate Agency That Charges Only Honest Prices

BY SGT. WALTER MILLER
Unless you want to take a chance of being gypped out of a good price, you should go to a legitimate agency that charges only honest prices for photostats.

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Post Commander Expresses Holiday Greetings to Personnel

It is with keen pleasure that I greet you on this happy occasion of our country's first peacetime Christmas in five years.

Christmas is essentially a day of Peace on Earth, Good Will toward men, and I am sure that all of you join me in giving thanks that once again we may enjoy this beautiful Holiday Season by our firesides, and that many of our loved ones who spent last Christmas in distant outposts and battlefields all over the world, are home with us again.

And also, as the time approaches for me to conclude my tour of duty as Commanding General of Fort Benning, I should like to express my sincere appreciation to all of you good people of Fort Benning for your help and good will throughout my tenure of service. You have all been my friends, and I am deeply grateful to all of you.

Now, I should like to wish for each of you a very Merry Christmas, and a New Year of prosperity and of peace.

WILLIAM H. HOBSON,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.,
Commanding.

Greetings of Season Extended By Brig. General Higgins

For the first time in several years we approach a Christmas season in which the phrase "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" has a sincere meaning. This Christmas, therefore, should be one in which the spirit of thankfulness is predominant. We are thankful that the war is over, that our nation has been preserved, and that our loved ones will be able to celebrate Christmas in happy surroundings, in marked contrast to so many others struggling for existence in the war torn countries of the world.

On behalf of all officers, warrant officers, enlisted men and women of The Parachute School, I extend season's greetings—A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

G. J. HIGGINS,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.,
Commandant, The Parachute School.

General Hartness Extends Greetings of the Season

I wish to extend to all the members of Army Ground Forces Board No. 3 my sincere appreciation for a task well performed and my best wishes for all that is rich in happiness during the coming holiday season. May the New Year bring each of you three hundred and sixty-five peaceful, prosperous days.

HARLAN N. HARTNESS
Brigadier General, USA
President, A. G. F. Board No. 3

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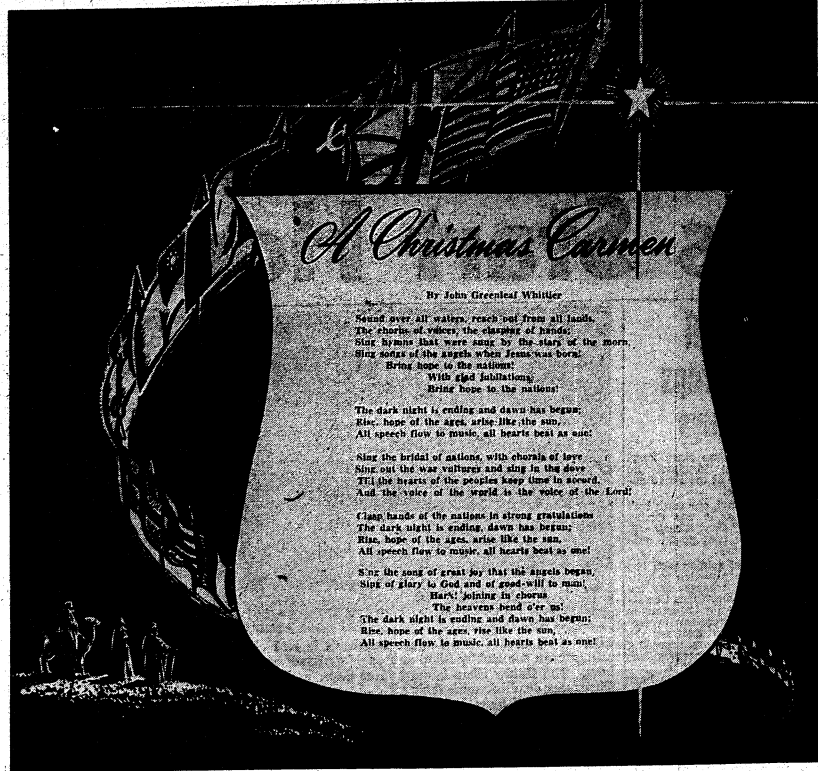
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By John Greenleaf Whittier

Sound over all waters, reach far from all lands

The choros of waters, the choros of lands

Sing hymns that were sung by the stars of the morn

Sing hymns that were sung by the stars of the morn

Bring home to the nations

With glad jubilation

Bring home to the nations

The dark night is ending and dawn has begun

Rise, hope of the ages, arise like the sun

All speech flow to music, all hearts beat as one

Sing the bride of nations, with choros of love

Sing out the war veterans and sing in the dove

Tell the hearts of the peoples keep time in accord

And the voice of the world is the voice of the Lord

Clasp hands of the nations in strong fraternal

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owns its own photostat machine. This would indicate that the soldier is playing safe to look up a "genuine" photostat firm, or its authorized agent, only.

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Dunne—

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College, Class of 1935, and attended St. John's Seminary in Brighton, Mass. He was ordained May 1, 1944 in the Cathedral of Holy Cross in his native city.

His first parish was at St. Edwards in Medford, Mass., where he also served as chaplain in the City hospital. Chaplain Dunne then served the Sacred Heart Parish in Medford Hills for 10 months until he entered on active duty at Fort Devens, Mass., on August 28, 1944.

Tours of duty at Camp Barkerley, Tex., and with the 23rd General Hospital followed and he was inducted in the "Battle of the Bulge."

Chaplain Dunne ministered to GIs at way points from Marseille to Metz and was headed for the Pacific when the Japs capitulated last August.

Returning to the United States for a 45-day leave Captain Dunne was assigned to Camp Sibert, Ala., and re-assigned to Fort Benning two weeks ago.

Xmas—

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In addition to the musical program, a dramatic manger scene, arranged by Mrs. Robert Langley, will heighten the impression of the religious message of the service. Appearances as angels will be by Dolores Cardona, Terry Rosenberg, and Marjorie Ann Hughes, while Clifford Brown, Larry Krohn, Ned Passalacqua, Sonny Freeman, and Gordon Langley will take the part of shepherds. George Knox, Lauren Bell, and the Wise Men from the East. The tender role of "Mary" will be played by Elizabeth Knott, with Dan Snyder as "Joseph."

Beverly and Joe Rothrock will be the choruses of the scene. The Post Chaplain, Major Helfer, requests that parents of the young people arrive early for the service.

A Midnight Candlelight Service of Holy Communion will be held at the Post Chapel at 11:30 on Christmas Eve. Assisting Major Helfer in celebrating the service will be Chaplains Theodore Bachele and Harvey M. Hardin. A special program of Christmas music will be presented by the Post Senior Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Methvin.

On Christmas Morning at 10:30 o'clock, a service of personal redemption and prayer will be conducted by Chaplain Helfer. Chaplain Theodore Bachele will bring a Christmas meditation and the Holy Communion of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated.

Squeals of joy will brighten the "stage" hanger when an airborne Santa Claus breezes in with a bag-full of prizes and gifts for the children of Fort Benning personnel, who attend next week's Christmas Party in the TFS training area.

The Children's Party, which is under the direction of the Parachute School's chaplains, will begin at 10:00, 24 December. All

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Santa—

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wall. The men record their progress there, and we lifted just one line from the chart.

That line showed that Pvt. Frank Willis, of the 23rd Co., 1st STR, Syria, Lebanon, Turkey, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, Eritrea, Arabia, Liwa, The Gold Coast, Nigeria, and French Equatorial Africa.

Ministering to the needs of military personnel in these camps, Chaplain Freedman also tried to effect special programs for major Jewish religious holidays.

On one Rosh Hashanah, for instance, the Army dedicated 15 planes to take all Jewish military personnel to Palestine for special services.

Palestine is one of the most beautiful countries I have ever seen, the new chaplain continued. Its varied scenery takes you from ice and snow in the mountains to desert heat in less than sixty miles. All types of landscape are included in Palestine.

Chaplain Freedman was ordained as a rabbi in New York City in 1940, taking his seminary training at the Jewish Institute of Religion founded by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

He had his first charge at Bradford, Pa., and later at Olean, N. Y., until he entered the service in 1942. Ten months as a chaplain at Nashville Army Air Base followed before he went overseas.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Two—The Bayonet, Thursday, December 20, 1945

The Movie Week

A WALK IN THE SUN: Filming the invasion of Salerno, Dana Andrews portrays the company commander in the epic film. A War picture and a MUST!

THE RED DRAGON: Sidney Toler (Charlie Chan's successor) and "Willie Best team up in an Oriental mystery.

A GUY COULD CHANGE: Allan Lane and Jane Frazee do a romantic number.

KITTY: Paulette Goddard, playing the title role of a London gutter snipe who blossoms into a great lady. A costume piece of the 18th Century.

A LETTER FOR EVIE: A romantic picture with Marsha Hunt and John Carroll in the main roles.

HOLLYWOOD CANTEN: Betty Davis headlines a galaxy of 82 stars in a musical extravaganza. Remember Bette started the Hollywood Canteen as her pet wartime project. A great picture!

THEY WERE EXPENDABLE: "Commander" Bob Montgomery's first flicker since he donned civvies, teaming up with John Wayne for War Pix. A Must!

ONE WAY TO LOVE: Chester Morris showing a new wrinkle in love-making with up-and-coming Marguerite Chapman as the heart throb.

HOUSE OF DRACULA: A thriller with Lon Chaney (Jr.) and John Carradine responsible for the spine-tingling mystery.

GETTING GERTIE'S GARTER: Dennis O'Keefe and Marie McDonald in a "laftable" romantic comedy.

THE BELLS OF ST. MARY'S: The picture we've all been waiting for with Bing Crosby once again portraying a padre and Ingrid Bergman as a nun.

PEOPLE ARE FUNNY: Jack Haley and Rudy Vallee in a musical comedy that is good entertainment.

VACATION FROM MARRIAGE: Robert (Mr. Chips) Donat in a modern comedy with newcomer Deborah Kerr.

THURSDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: A Walk in the Sun.
Nos. 2 & 3: One Way to Love.
No. 4: They Were Expendable.
No. 11: The Bells of St. Mary.

FRIDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: A Walk in the Sun.
Nos. 2 & 3: House of Dracula.
No. 4: They Were Expendable.
No. 11: People Are Funny.

SATURDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: The Red Dragon;
A Guy Could Change.
Nos. 2 & 3: A Walk in the Sun.
No. 4: One Way to Love.
No. 11: Vacation From Marriage.

SUNDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Kitty.
Nos. 2 & 3: A Walk in the Sun.
No. 4: House of Dracula.
No. 11: Getting Gertie's Garter.

MONDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Kitty.
Nos. 2 & 3: The Red Dragon;
A Guy Could Change.
No. 4: A Walk in the Sun.
No. 11: Getting Gertie's Garter.

TUESDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: A Letter for Evie.
Nos. 2 & 3: Kitty.
No. 4: A Walk in the Sun.
No. 11: The Red Dragon; A Guy Could Change.

WEDNESDAY
Nos. 1 & 8: Hollywood Canteen.
Nos. 2 & 3: Kitty.
No. 4: The Red Dragon; A Guy Could Change.
No. 11: They Were Expendable.

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shortly after its inauguration on Jan. 1, when the first class starts the new eight-week training course. The revamped First Parachute Training Regiment which has been entirely absorbed by the disbanded units, the Second and Third Parachute Training Regiments and Headquarters Commandant will become the First Airborne Training Regiment with the initiation of The Airborne School.

Questions

1. The contested Peiping-Tientsin-Chinwangtao "triangle" of north China is regarded as a vital area by both sides—the Nationalists and the Communists—in the undeclared civil war. Why?

2. Spot the error in this statement: Charles de Gaulle's offer to resign, a few days after his election as president of the provisional government of France, reminds one of the short tenures of the pre-war Presidents of the Third Republic.

3. The United States offered to recognize the new Government of Albania. Can you name two new governments in Europe which this country still refuses to recognize?

4. General MacArthur has taken steps to "liquidate" Japan's Gumbatsu (militarists) and her Zaibatsu (industrialists and financiers). Last week he ordered the process repeated for the Mombatsu. What are the "Mombatsu"?

5. Trained as an engineer, he is one of England's best-known

clergymen. Last week he arrived in this country for a visit and announced he, too, had a plan for controlling atomic energy. Who is he?

6. For his part in laying the foundations of the United Nations Organization, former Secretary of State Cordell Hull last week was named winner of the Nobel Peace Prize for 1945. Who won it for 1944 and when was that award announced?

7. Do you know who chooses Nobel Peace Prize recipients?

8. The Ford Motor company was said to have wrecked the "divide and conquer" strategy of the auto workers union. How?

9. Proposals adopted at the Truman-Attlee-King conference, held in Washington would internationalize control of atomic energy. By just what means would this be done?

10. Details of the "hedgehog," a secret weapon used against submarines during the war, were revealed last week. What was the "hedgehog"?

ANSWERS PAGE 10

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Mother Accepts Posthumous DSC Award for Lt. Eaton

The Distinguished Service Cross was awarded posthumously to Charles H. Eaton for heroism in action in Italy and the award was accepted by his mother, Mrs. Paul E. Eaton, at a ceremony at the Infantry School December 5. Presentation was made by Major General John W. O'Daniel, commandant of The Infantry School.

In presenting the award to Mrs.



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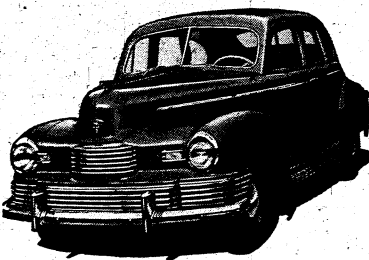
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Leiber, General O'Daniel stated: "Those of us who fought in the rugged mountainous areas of Italy know that it was necessary to engage in hand-to-hand and toe-to-toe combat for the accomplishment of some of our missions. In achieving our end, the success or failure of a whole mission depended often on the leadership, courage and valor of one or two men. Your son's action and sacrifice typified the quality of inspired command which was responsible for the success of not only the 5th Army in Italy, but the entire Allied victory."

Fired Rocket Into Germans
According to the official citation, Lieutenant Eaton received the award "for extraordinary heroism in action on 17 April 1945, in the vicinity of Gorgonzola, Italy. After three previous attempts to seize a vital enemy-held building had failed, First Lieutenant Eaton led his platoon in another assault to take the strong point. When his platoon was halted by the concentrated enemy fire from the building and surrounding positions, First Lieutenant Eaton stood up in full view of the enemy and fired a rocket directly into a German emplacement to destroy the position. He then led a bold frontal assault on the building and engaged the defenders in furious hand-to-hand fighting, inflicting many casualties upon the enemy, taking several prisoners and driving the remaining Germans from their stronghold."

"In the face of terrific enemy shellfire directed at the building, First Lieutenant Eaton inspired his men to hold the objective against heavy odds. The following day, while leading an attack on another vital objective, First Lieutenant Eaton was killed in action. His heroic actions and the surrender of four Germans manning outposts. Boldly advancing toward his objective, he attempted to force the surrender of the German defenders, but was killed by a grenade burst. His heroic actions, inspired by First Lieutenant Eaton's daring and fighting spirit, successfully took and occupied the position. First Lieutenant Eaton's heroism in battle was a source of inspiration to his men and an honored tribute to the American Infantry Officer."

Graduated in 1942. The late Lieutenant Eaton graduated with the OCS class No. 29 at Fort Benning, and was commis-

Santa Pays Early Visit To Post School Children

By MARY D. KEATLEY

Santa Claus harnessed up his reindeer early this Christmas and made a flying trip to the Main Theater at Fort Benning to be present at the annual Children's Christmas party.

Over three hundred youngsters, children of all military personnel, residing both on and off the post, filled the theater, awaiting Santa's appearance with wide-eyed expectancy.

Father Dunn, assistant Post Catholic chaplain opened the program with a short prayer, which Brig. Gen. William H. Hobson spoke to the children in his own inimitable manner, promising that he personally would tune in on old Santa Christmas Eve to report the behavior of Fort Benning children, all of whom have been good all year and would most as-

signed a second Lieutenant July 6, 1942. Upon graduation he was ordered to Newfoundland with the Third Infantry Regiment and served in Newfoundland until Sept. 27, 1943 when the outfit returned to the States and served as Demonstration Troops, The Infantry School.

While with the Third Infantry at Fort Benning in 1944, he was commended for his performance as a leader in the cannon company demonstration. He also served as defense council and trial judge advocate, Third Infantry.

Lieutenant Eaton volunteered for foreign service and on Dec. 30, 1944 was ordered overseas as an infantry officer replacement. In Italy he joined Company L, 168th Infantry Regiment, 34th Division.

Survivors include his step-father and mother, Colonel and Mrs. Paul E. Eaton, Fort Benning. Colonel Eaton is a member of Army Ground Forces Board No. 3. Other survivors are his twin brother, Pfc. Hamilton D. Eaton, who served with the 30th Infantry Regiment, Third Division, who still is overseas, and his brother, Maj. Ernest R. Eaton, Baltimore, Md., who served throughout World War II with the Fourth Armored Division.



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THAT'S NO SMUDGE Pfc. Gray Edmiston of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School is twirling so deftly. It's a genuine "gay nineties" handlebar mustache, natural growth and almost eight inches from end to curling end. Gray, who owns a tobacco farm at Chatham, in the hills of southwestern Virginia, says mustaches are an old family tradition. Begun in July, the biggest difficulty he's had so far is holding off eager barbers who are ardent to trim it. Also, since mustaches are vanishing from the American scene like buffalo, waxes and other preparations to aid in growth and care are almost unobtainable. However Gray has done his hairdressing with ordinary scalp tonics and the luxuriant rust-colored herbage is testimony to his success. Gray has become accustomed to the luxuriant rust-colored herbage as he has to the ordinary scalp tonics and the luxuriant rust-colored herbage is testimony to his success. Gray has become accustomed to the luxuriant rust-colored herbage as he has to the ordinary scalp tonics and the luxuriant rust-colored herbage is testimony to his success.

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VA Authorizes 21 New Offices

In line with Veterans' Administration's objective of divorcing administrative offices from hospitals and moving them to downtown locations in urban centers where their services are more readily available to a greater number of veterans, a total of twenty-one new, centrally located, Regional Offices have been authorized in recent months.

Difficulties in obtaining suitable office space were seriously hampering the establishment and opening of these new offices. Only two are actually operating now, although several others are in final stages of preparation to open and will be serving the veteran public in the very near future. The Regional Offices function as the operational offices of the Veterans' Administration. There the individual case records are maintained, and claims are received and adjudicated. Nearly all benefits administered by the Veterans' Administration can be handled at the Regional Office level without reference to higher headquarters. Locations approved for new Regional Offices in recent months are as follows:

Moved from hospitals to downtown locations: Des Moines, Iowa; Wichita, Kansas; Atlanta, Georgia; Minneapolis, Minnesota; San Francisco, California; Portland, Oregon; Indianapolis, Indiana; Los Angeles, California; and Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Other removals: Phoenix, Arizona (from Tucson); Helena, Montana (from Fort Harrison); Detroit, Michigan (from Dearborn); Milwaukee, Wisconsin (from Wood); Cleveland, Ohio (from Brecksville); Chicago, Illinois (from Hines); Newark, New Jersey (from Lyons); Hartford, Connecticut (from Newington); Charleston, West Virginia (from Huntington); and Charlotte, North Carolina (from Fayetteville).

New Regional Offices: Albany, New York, and Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

He had brought along large cartons crammed with mysterious brown packages, one for each child, which he bestowed as they passed by in a long line.

This ended the party, as each child departed, happily bearing off his box of fruit, nuts and candies.

Santa Claus was assisted by Chaplain Moore, Chaplains Fine and Tellers 3rd STR, Chaplain Rich, School Troops Det. 2 and Chaplain Harden of the 1st Student Training Regiment.

Following General Hobson's address, children of the kindergarten, 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades trooped onto the stage and sang Christmas carols. The familiar notes of "Away in a Manger" took on added charm from the fifty-odd childish voices. The children also sang "Jingle Bells," "Santa Claus Is Coming to Town" and "Good St. Nick."

As they filed offstage older children, those of the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th grades took their places to sing a selection of both religious and folk carols which included "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Joy to the World," "The First Noel," "Rock the Hallelujahs," "Good Night Merry Gentlemen," "Silent Night" and the popular "White Christmas."

Four Movies Shown
Next on the program was a series of four amusing cartoons of Donald Duck, Our Gang, Popeye and Bugs Bunny, the sassy rabbit, whose antics convulsed the whole audience.

After the movies Chaplain Heller took over to thank the children for their singing which showed much concentration and practice under the management of Mrs. Theodore H. Andrews, musical director of the school.

But these were only the preliminaries. The lights died down and there was a hushed silence in the darkened theater. Then the lights flashed on again and there sat old Santa Claus, in his red suit looking just as the story books pictured him.

Cries of "Santa Claus," "Santa Claus" resounded through the theater as the children got their first awe-struck glimpse of him.

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Pfc. James Wins Table Tennis Title

Pfc. Bill James was declared table tennis champion of the Second Infantry Training Company, School Troops, The Infantry School, after having defeated more

than thirty entrants in a tournament conducted last week. Of the seventy-five matches played to decide a winner, Private James defeated Pfc. Jimmy McCall in the final sets, 21-19, 21-17 and 21-16.

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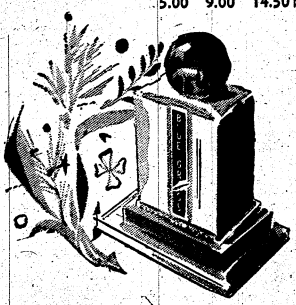
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Editorially Speaking

Pfc. Adam McLean came back from Italy last week. And not a bit too soon. Addie wears the Combat Infantryman's badge, the Purple Heart and a number of other decorations. But Addie has a "know-how" that's even more needed in America today than how to man a gun. For Addie knows how to deal with the men behind the men who man the guns.

Before he joined the Army nearly three years ago, Addie was one of the Morale Re-Armament workers who pitched in to build labor-management teamwork at the Lockheed aircraft plant in California with such effectiveness that the head of the union, Dale Reed, reported, "There are planes at the fighting fronts today that would not be there were it not for the work of these men." That factory grew from a few thousand men to over 80,000 and went through the war without a single strike.

The current wave of industrial disputes and the failure of the recent labor-management conference in Washington places a greater priority than ever on the know-how of producing teamwork between workers and employers. Lack of agreement hits home to many Americans—the housewife who is waiting for her new refrigerator, the prospective new-car buyer, the plant owner who wants to get going on post-war production, and the union member who finds the cut in his take-home pay too great to meet the rising cost of goods on the counters of the grocery and department stores.

But the know-how of teamwork is not just a domestic matter. As Addie McLean points out, it has a very definite effect on the country like Italy. Addie landed in Naples in April, 1944, and moved on up past Rome into front-line action. He took part in the battle for Cecina, the advance to the Arno River, and was wounded in the North Apennines Campaign which broke through the Gothic Line in September of that year. "Take back to a hospital in Rome, he recovered and has been stationed there for the past year.

As we rode west on the train today, he gave me a GI-view of the Italians, from the peasants in the hills to the Mayor of Rome!

As our infantry pushed painfully ahead in the rugged Apennine country against heavy German machine gun and mortar fire, friendly Italian farm girls would climb up from the villages in the valley with wine jars full of water for the soldiers. Sometimes young children and old men would come, too. And many of these loyal volunteers paid with their lives for their fearless helpfulness.

Once Over, Lightly!

We are trying to find a music opera which might be interesting in setting to music an opera which we intend to write in the near future.

The opera deals with the Army of the United States, that fast-vanishing race of aborigines who once fought on seven seas, six continents, and in Muscogee County. Action, of course, takes place about nine miles south of Columbus, Georgia, and the libretto is written entirely in Italian.

The Italian libretto, of course, is necessitated because of the fact that in English, nearly everybody would understand, and the singing wouldn't sound nearly so imposing. In French, we'd have to avoid making grammatical errors, because too many people can understand that language. We can't understand any German other than "Alles Kappet," so therefore Italian wins by a plurality of several thousand.

For the benefits of those curiosity-seekers who wish to learn about the opera before they can hear it on Saturday afternoon broadcast directly from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House, we present a synopsis.

The music of the overture concludes, and as applause dies down, the curtain goes up. Discovered is an orderly room, and behind a desk in center stage can be found a burly sergeant named Ricardo. Ricardo sings a tenor solo "Che bel vita!" which in English means, "I've only got 15 more years before retirement. Ain't nature grand?"

After his beautiful solo has been concluded, the chorus of privates trips into the room and sings a stirring march entitled, "L'esercito puzza!" In English, that means, "Let's sing for three more years; we get a furlough if we do, Mac."

In comes a tall, handsome corporal, named Manuella. His friends call him "Ello" to his face, and to his back they drop the "o." Manuella strides up to the desk and demands to see the manager. The manager is having tea at the Officer's Club at the time, but instead of telling him the truth, the sergeant sings that lovely aria, "E nella Conferenza." In English, that means "It Might As Well Be Spring."

You are lying, the corporal tells the sergeant. He then sings the famous baritone solo, "No latrino!" That, in English, means "No, no, a Thousand Times No! I'd rather die than Sign Up." Enraged, the sergeant reaches into his desk drawer, and pulls out a lethal weapon. He then sings, with the chorus assisting him, "Ecco la sala del carabinieri!" which means "Not According to the 103rd Article of War."

He presses a button and three M. P.'s rush in with fixed bayonets, and escort Manuella to the Guard House. The chorus of privates, with mops and buckets held at present arms, sorrowfully chant the famous litany, "Domane lavoro; povero Manuella e preso!" In English, that means "Won't You Try Whistles?"

Suddenly, a rumble is heard from afar. It

Building New Bridges

"Paesano," the Italian word for good friend, became the GI name for the natives.

This Italo-American appreciation built under fire has suffered somewhat from the GI let-down after the job of driving out the Germans was done.

But the real job in Italy has only just begun. Our official policy is to turn back everything to the Italians as soon as the military situation permits. But what happens to the country under liberation depends as much on how we care for individual Italians, as on how we carry out official duties.

A year later Addie was in the drawing room of the Palazzo Doria, home of Prince and Princess Doria-Pamphili. The Prince had opposed Mussolini from the earliest days on moral grounds, and spent the war years either in concentration camp or hiding from the Fascists. When the Allies liberated the country, he was the obvious man for Mayor of Rome.

Among the guests that evening was one of Italy's leading pianists who was still recovering from the effects of concentration camp. Addie had with him some of the songs which had proved so effective in the homes of Lockheed workers. He told them how these tunes had reached into the hearts of men and management and helped to build sound homes and industrial teamwork.

For five hours the Italian musician played and the rest sang. The pianist took new heart for what music could do for Italy. The Mayor wouldn't let the party break up.

"This is the spirit our country needs," he said. "The Fascist songs are gone. These are the songs we should be singing."

"Teamwork is as necessary for Italy as for your industrial plants," the Princess added.

Today in that city a corps of Romans are finding new teamwork because of meeting GI Addie McLean. A telephone operator, a professor of psychology, a newspaperman, a radio commentator, a priest, a printer, a poet, a lawyer, business men and workers are learning deeper, the only way it can be learned—through the ordinary citizen taking responsibility and pulling together with his neighbor. They are bringing absolute moral standards into the schools and tackling problems like the black market.

Nicandro, the telephone operator, typifies the new spirit this GI ambassador left behind him in Italy: "I am determined to give all my heart to Italy to make her new and bring this unselfish patriotism to my country," he said.

The G. I. Opera

is the sound of the approaching invaders from Fort McPherson, embarked on a treacherous attack while their country is ostensibly at peace. The duty officer, Frederico, rushes in, and sings the battle song of the unit, "Cose facia nella fanteria? Cammina, cammina, cammina!" In English that means, "Three Day Passes if you Whip their Cavalry!"

The troops rush out to fight, but overwhelming numbers force them back. They are pushed closer and closer together and finally the resistance is centered around the guardhouse. A bullet suddenly pierces the chest of Ricardo, who has been leading the troops. As he sinks to the ground, he sings the well-known aria, "Credetevi che ricevero io il purple heart?" In English, that means, "Be Sure to Cancel my Class E Allotment!"

Just about this time, things began to look extremely black for the defending troops, when suddenly a bullet smashes directly into the lock on the guard house door. Out runs Manuella, and he stops over the dead sergeant, borrows his copy of the Army Regulations.

Hold everything! he shouts to the invaders. Then he asks for the leader of the McPherson Army. The leader comes out. "E Vero cost ho sentito?" Manuella sings. That means "Is it true that after you are down here you will get a furlough?" "Si, si," the Fort Mac leader answers.

"And you are now on pass?" Manuella asks. "Yes," the leader replies. "Then," Manuella announces triumphantly, "I hereby place you under arrest. According to Army Regulation 2394-54, it's illegal to go from a pass to a furlough."

As the crestfallen invaders surrender, the chorus of privates sing that beautiful choral, "Quanti punti avete?"

In English, that doesn't mean anything.

—LOUIS D. RUBIN, JR.

It takes more than sweeping statements to clean up the mess we're in.

If we go on blowing up about each other we will all blow up together.

Atoms are like God's laws. We get into trouble when we break them.

Some people are dead honest—others just dead.

Homes are the heart of the nation. Are we suffering from heart failure?

Keep your ear to the ground too long and there'll be no time to put your hand to the plow.

Rubbing in the other man's mistakes won't rub out yours.

There's no edge to what you say if there's any in your voice.



'Twas the night before Christmas, Santa is telling these Fort Benning GIs that they wishfully dream of the first peace-time, Yuletide in five years. Old Saint Nick—portrayed by M-Sgt. Clarence King of Post Headquarters—has Pfc. Joe McCleish of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School; Pvt. Juliet Lushech of WAC Detachment, Station Complement; and Cpl. Tommie Wells, of Headquarters Detachment, Section 1, as an admiring audience. (Signal Lab Photo by Cpl. Phil Charleson)

G.I. HUMOR

Hi diddle, diddle, the cat, and the fiddle. He called the sergeant a goon. The MPs laughed to see such a sport. Court Martial: Tomorrow at noon.

Sailor (walking into recruiting office): "Gimme that ol' sales talk again. I'm gettin' kinda discouraged."

Sign on a road in Burma: "Drive carefully—men working here with 80 points or more."

"I would like to marry your daughter."

"Well, you can leave your name and address and if nothing better shows up, we can notify you."

Definition — Yawn: The only time some married men get to open their mouths.

While leaning over the rail of a transport, the WAC dropped her diamond ring overboard. She was deeply grieved over the loss. Some weeks later, dining in a hotel in Naples, she ordered fish. What do you think she found in the fish bones?

DMF Pvt. at bus-stop: "Madam, would you be kind enough to give a cripple four bits for bus fare?"

Old Lady: "You poor chap. How are you crippled?"

Private: "Financially."

An irate lady, seeking a divorce, told the judge: "My husband is an out-and-out loafer, who thinks of nothing but horse-racing. That's all he talks, the track is the only place he goes, and he spends all his time figuring up past performances and clocking work-outs. He thinks of nothing but horses from morning till night. Why, he probably doesn't even remember our wedding date."

"That's a lie," shouted the irate husband. "We were married the day Twenty Grand won the Wood Memorial."

Sign on courthouse lawn: "Please keep off the grass." Sign on Army post: "Keep off the grass by order of Commanding Officer."

"Hello, senorita!"

"I'm not a senorita — I'm a senora."

"Who cares how you sleep?"

Then there's the little moron who looked his old man in the refrigerator so he could always have pop on ice.

Colonel: "Are you sure you're qualified to lead the Melody Makers?"

S-Sgt.: "Absolutely, sir. I've had two nervous breakdowns, and I lived for 10 years in an apartment house with 10 children."

Platoon leader from Brooklyn: "Whud ya do before ya joined the Army?"

Recruit: "Worked in Des Moines."

F. L.: "What kind of moines—iron or coal?"

A drunk watched as a man entered a revolving door. As the door swung around a pretty girl walked out.

"Darned good trick," he muttered.

Chaplain's Corner

TOGETHER IN PEACE
BY CAPT. F. N. MARSHBURN

"It is easier to die together than it is to live together," says Dr. Daniel A. Poling. How true! His philosophy is more evident as we proceed toward a "Lasting Peace."

Men faced the enemy on the far-flung battle fields of Europe and in the malaria-infested jungles of the Pacific. They fought vigorously and valiantly as AMERICANS ALL and as ALLIES ALL. They fought together, and they died together. They fought not alone for "themselves," but for others. They realized that if they would save themselves they must save others.

Dr. Poling is eminently correct, when he reminds us, that dying together is easier than living together. Living is the test of anything. Living together, therefore, is the test of the Peace of which we talk so much today.

Regarding unity, Paul writes to the church at Corinth, "For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body—For by one spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jew or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free—God has tempered the body together—there should be no schism in the body—And whether one member suffer, all members suffer with it; or one member be honored, all the members rejoice with it."

This is Man's Great Opportunity to build, with God, a world of Lasting Peace: not by aloofness, but by cooperation, coordination, consideration, and by the LOVE that was demonstrated by Jesus Christ while he was in the world.

On the tombstone of a soldier who died in another war were written these memorable words, "You must do a greater thing than die, you must THINK, and ghosts shall drive you on."

Doing nothing is so tiresome because you can't stop and rest.

Two girls, looking at the paintings in an art gallery, came before a nude which one girl recognized as a picture of her companion.

"Why, dear, I didn't know you ever posed in the nude," she said in amazement.

"I certainly do not," was the indignant response—and she added, "He painted it from memory."

Sgt.: "Anyone around here know shorthand?"

Pvt.: "Yes, I do."

Sgt.: "Good. Report to the messhall. They are short-handed on dishwashers."

Diner: Waiter, there's an insect in my soup.

New Waiter: There's be one of those vitamin bees.

Him: "Where will you meet me tonight?"

Her: "Half way."

Midnight Mass On The Mountain

The moonlight played upon the snow
And made my soul with gladness glow.
The silent trees gay-froked in white
All seemed to know 'twas Christmas night.

The cabin, tabernacle rare,
Cast mystic incense on the air.
Within the little altar stood
Adorned with laurels from the wood,
Its linens whiter than the night,
Like smiling eyes its candle-light.

Ah, yes, there was a Christmas tree
Which we had decked with childish glee,
And great pine logs, like hearts aflame,
Gave silent homage to His name.
And many angels must have knelt
To share with us the joy we felt.

"Confiteor," I trembling prayed,
And then my heart its throbbing stayed,
For (God forefend I should misguide)
In there tiptoed to my side
A throng of bowed humanity
To kneel in humble piety.

My spirit saw, in vision clear,
My friends and loved ones kneeling near.
Then multitudes I seemed to see
In my entranced simplicity.

"Memento"—ah, I now recall:
I did myself invite them all.
I begged the outcast, curses of Fate,
Abandoned souls, the sons of Hate,
And those who mourn, and those who weep
To come with me this watch to keep.
Such multitudes were ranged about,
At least I'm sure, all whims apart,
I held them all within my heart.

—BY CAPT. RODERICK MacEACHEN

Christmas Greetings

Within a few days, we shall again observe the Christmas Holiday Season. Our right to celebrate in peace and in the American way has been purchased at a fearful cost.

Since hostilities have ceased, there has been a let-down among individuals and groups who fail to consider realistically the conditions existing throughout the world. We in the military service are keenly aware of these conditions, and we understand how essential is the continued maintenance of an adequate national defense.

As members of the military service, it is our distinct privilege to dedicate our services to the security of our homeland and to the maintenance of peace. We may be proud of our direct and personal contribution to this end. We shall, I feel certain, meet any new challenge with the same firm resolve, the same devotion to duty and the same firm resolve, the same devotion to duty and the same courage as in the past.

My heartfelt thanks go to every officer, enlisted man, enlisted woman and civilian employee of the Replacement and School Command for their loyalty, zeal and cooperation which have resulted in gratifying progress. I am proud to be associated with you in an effort so vital to the future of our country.

To all members of The Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, and their families, sincere Christmas greetings and best wishes for a Happy New Year.

HARRY F. HAZLETT
Major General, U. S. A.
Commanding General,
Replacement and School Command
Birmingham, Alabama

The Season's Greetings From Maj. General O'Daniel

As the holiday season approaches, I desire to extend to all members of The Infantry School greetings and best wishes for the Christmas and New Year.

This Christmas marks the end of the war period and the beginning of what we hope will be a long and profitable peacetime era.

Our victory was brought about by the efforts of all of you. I desire to congratulate you on a job well done.

With the coming of the New Year may you be inspired to carry on with even added energy and enthusiasm, so that the Army and especially the Infantry may profit by the lessons learned in combat.

Again, to you of The Infantry School, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

JOHN W. O'DANIEL
Major General, USA
Commandant, The Infantry School

Brig. Gen. Ross Greets Personnel Of First Army

On the occasion of the first peacetime Holiday Season we have enjoyed in five years, I extend to all at Fort Benning my very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

During the past twelve months, we have been blessed with Victory, and it is my earnest hope that during the year to come we will make secure the fruits of that victory, so that all of us may live in a better and finer world.

OGDEN J. ROSS,
Brigadier General, USA,
Commanding.

99th AGF Band Due To Be Inactivated January 3rd

After five years of active duty and soon afterwards was named the 99th Army Ground Force Band and 99th AGF Band under command of CWO Charles Hladik.

Returning from Alaska in July, 1944, and going directly to Fort Benning, the Band was first stationed here with the Fourth Infantry and Fifty-First Infantry Regiments, later joining School Troops. The Infantry School Commanding the Band here have been CWO Loy A. Eberole, CWO Alexander T. DiPrinse, and CWO Emil H. Schurr, present commander.

While at Fort Benning, the 99th Band toured Georgia during the Sixth War Loan Drive and through Michigan during the Seventh War Loan Drive.

The new 267th AGF Band, to be shipped to Alaska, where, under the direction of CWO Eugene Roberts, the band was designated as with quarters in the first Cavalier the Station Band at Fort Randall, on the Main Post.

82d Airborne Scheduled For Monster N. Y. Parade

The famed 82d (All-American) Airborne Division, scheduled to arrive in the States from France on or about the 15th of December, will impress New York City between January 1 and 15th with the biggest and best parade yet produced from World War I and II. This Division, which British General Sir Miles Dempsey voted as "the best division in the best army in the world" will be at full strength and in full battle array, according to an announcement by the War Department.

Leading the Eighty-Second will be Brig. Gen. James Maurice Gavin, native New Yorker, youngest division commander in American history. Gen. Gavin will be 39 years old next March 22.

Going into combat on Viazzi Ridge in Sicily in July, 1943, the 82d later reinforced hardpressed soldiers at Salerno. It went in with the 101st Airborne at Normandy, dropped into the Netherlands to fight at Nijmegen, and fell on the crack German First Division west of St. Cumeron in Belgium to relieve Americans all but encircled in the Bulge in December, 1944. To fulfill a solemn pledge to drop on Berlin, it jumped

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17th Airborne Members Set Up Association

On Sept. 6, 1945, at Camp Victor near Marseille, a few of the old members of the 17th Airborne Division got together and drew up Articles of Association of the 17th Airborne Division. Their immediate intentions were to provide a permanent office of record and information about old members of the outfit and the Division's deeds.

However, on Sept. 17th and 18th at Camp Standish near Boston, Mass., the Division retired and went on the deactivated list. The newly formed Association was barely started.

Now the Association has gained a civilian status through the discharge from the Army of Justin P. Buckridge, Secretary and Treasurer of the Association. Buckridge was formerly Code Clerk in the Third Battalion, 194th Glider Infantry. After V-E Day he published the Time-style "Talon" News Magazine, "Talon".

A main feature of interest to everyone in the Association will be the quarterly publication, "Talon". This magazine, which will be the voice of the Airborne Veterans, is included in the membership fee.

This news magazine will contain news of the members, information of value to them, questions and answers, fact and fiction articles, cartoons and many features. One dollar a year for four issues of the informative "Talon" (full-sized editions), and information service about anything airborne or about old friends, as well as one vote at Association elections as a member.

Mail your post office money order, check or currency to Treasurer, 17th Airborne Division Association, 11 Ravine Street, Birmingham, Mich.

In World War II, whether in Europe, Africa, or in the Pacific, the 82d Division was chosen for the great Victory Parade, the War Department pointed out because it was felt that an air-borne unit emphasizes the versatility of the foot soldiers as we know them today.

Though airborne troops close to battle in the skies, the War Department notice stated, they fight on their feet in the American "doughfoot" tradition. Only their approach to combat has been changed to keep pace with an air-minded age.

Many men of the original 82nd

A rather striking fact which has escaped widespread attention is that the 82nd Division established the last bridgehead of the European War after being the first Airborne unit to land on Sicily in 1943.

Other firsts for the "All-American outfit" includes: first airborne division overseas, first to enter Naples, first across Dutch-German border, first across the Rhine (at Nijmegen), last year, and first through the Siegfried Line in the Spring offensive. To top it all, the 82nd has been in more countries than any other division in Europe, being the only one in American military history to capture a whole German Army.

will not be on hand for the January parade. They have been discharged under the high-point system and have drifted back to their homes all over the United States. In order to bring the organization to its full combat strength, its ranks have been filled with men from the 101st and Seventeenth Airborne Divisions.

New York's second Victory parade probably will exceed Gen. Pershing's 1919 spectacle in battle equipment, if not in numerical strength. In the 1919 victory demonstration, a handful of planes from Hazelhurst Field, Mineola, L. I., flew over the line of march. Aerial escort for the January parade probably will all but darken New York skies.

Chaplains Earn 1,446 Decorations During War Years

That members of the Chaplain Corps were not all "back of the line" soldiers is adequately proved in the announcement this week that 1,112 chaplains had received 1,446 decorations, most of them awarded for achievements under fire of the enemy.

The report was issued by the Office of Chief of Chaplains and covers casualties lists and decorations up to Oct. 1, 1945.

Chaplains had their share of casualties too, with 75 killed in action and 226 wounded.

Casualties included the following:

Killed in action, including 13 in sinking of Japanese prison ships, and 1 killed during bombing Germany, 78; deaths non-battle, including 1 died in Japanese prison camp, 63; wounded in action, including those not hospitalized, 226; detained by the enemy, status undetermined, 5; returned to military control, from German prison camps, 32; missing, 2.

Decorations

Distinguished Service Cross, 17; Distinguished Service Medal, 1; Legion of Merit, 52; Oak Leaf Cluster to Legion of Merit, 1; and Silver Star, 155.

Oak Leaf Cluster to Silver Star, 8; Soldiers Medal, 20; Bronze Star, 797; one Oak Leaf Cluster to Bronze Star, 59; Air Medal, 5; and Purple Heart, 304.

One Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart, 24; two Oak Leaf Clusters to Purple Heart, 3; and Foreign Decorations, 18.

LOUISIANIANS REAP PROFIT FROM TURTLES

ST. VINCENT, La., Dec. 19.—(UP)—They farm for turtles in this section of Louisiana, and reap a right good harvest, too.

The whole family takes part, from grandma down to the toddling youngsters.

The eggs are spotted and stalked out to keep track of their location. In each nest, can be found five to 15 eggs. At the right time, they're dug up and buried again where they can be watched more closely.

The eggs may be dug up and replanted after about 60 days, but takes about three months for the eggs to hatch.

After they are hatched, the turtles are kept in buckets and taken to a "turtle man" who comes in a truck and pays about 15 cents each for the babies.

Thief Snatches Bill But Gets Only Half

FINDLAY, O., Dec. 19.—(UP)—A tug-of-war may cost Dominick Carusone, 70, \$10, but that's for Uncle Sam to decide.

Carusone was walking down the street clutching a \$10 bill in his hand when a thief grabbed for it. Carusone refused to let go and so the thief, finally, neighbors came to Carusone's rescue and the thief tore the bill in half and fled with part of it.

Police said they believed Carusone's portion of the bill was large enough to entice him to at least 10 cents for it. If he has three-fifths of it, he gets the full amount.

63 Honor Men Attend AL Meet

CHICAGO, Ill. (ALNS)—There were 63 Congressional Medal of Honor men in attendance at the recent national convention of The American Legion in Chicago, as guests of the Legion.

Following the most exclusive party in the world, which took a Medal of Honor to get in—even the press, which interviewed the heroes before they attended, could not get in the hall itself—there was organized the "Congressional Medal of Honor Society," and it was decided to hold the annual meeting of the new organization in connection with the annual national convention of The American Legion.

Among the 63 Medal of Honor men there, 59 won the decoration in World War II, and others in earlier wars.

Named president of the new Congressional Medal of Honor Society was Capt. John Davis, USNR, of Newport, R. I., who won the decoration in the Spanish-American War. He also served in World Wars I and II, and was commander of the naval militia of Rhode Island. Capt. Joseph J. McCarthy, Chicago, of the Marine Corps, was named vice-president, and Edward H. Smith of Washington, D. C., is secretary and treasurer.

Says Postwar Houses Will Not Be Low-Cost

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(UP)—Only one out of every four houses built immediately after the war will be low-cost, the Urban Land Institute reports.

The low percentage of low-cost housing is due to the demand for houses costing more than \$6,000 and the planned departure of 50 per cent of war workers, now occupying low-cost housing.

Memphis was the only exception to the institute's findings. There an estimated 60 per cent of the post-war housing will be low cost.

Only seven per cent of the new housing will be rented, because of continued rent ceilings, the institute reports.

In almost every city surveyed, at least one operator planned to provide housing for Negroes, the institute said.

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120 Trailer Coaches To House War II Vets

ANDERSON, Ind. — (ALNS)—The housing shortage here for returned servicemen is so acute that 120 more trailers have been allocated by the National Housing Administration's Chicago office, to bring to a total of 120 the number of trailers assigned for the temporary living quarters of these veterans and their families.

That's because Pvt. John Richard Dobbin, widely published young poet whose favorite subject matter is the people around him, has just joined the regiment after completing his basic training at Camp Blanding, Fla.

During two years of wartime sea-duty on an oil tanker, Dobbin wrote many colorful poems about the men of the crew, and their hazardous life in submarine-infested waters. Many of his sonnets were inspired by the people he met and the adventures he had in New Zealand, the Hawaiian Islands, and Latin America.

Dobbin's writing has appeared in "The Muse," a poetry annual; "The Script," a California monthly; "The Poet," a verse quarterly; and "Scholastic," a national weekly magazine.

Before his induction Dobbin was working as a copywriter and production assistant for the Willard G. Myers advertising agency in Philadelphia. His home is in Conshohocken, Pa.

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Demons And Wolves Easy Winners In Post League

Fort McClellan Quintet Bows In Two Week-End Games With Benning Fives

Visitors' Rally Curbed in Last Five Minutes

The Academic Regiment Profs chalked up their seventh straight victory by administering a 48-10 thrashing to the visiting Fort McClellan quintet in the feature contest of an exhibition doubleheader staged at the Post Gym Friday night.

The School Troops Motor Pool Detachment No. One massacred the Eagle-Phoenix Mills five, 73 to 27, in the preliminary.

The McClellanians were trailing 28-18 at the end of a slow first half, but began to click well in the third quarter and threatened early in the final period. When they closed the gap to 48-42, but the Profs turned on the heat for the last five minutes, holding the visitors to a single free throw for themselves to win by a comfortable margin.

McNamara Is Star

Undisputed star of the night was Ed McNamara, former Canisius College guard, whose stellar floor work set up one successful play after another for the Profs. High scorers were Ed Beisser, whose control of the backboards and pivot spot netted the winners 14 points, and Harry Gibbs, Wisconsin's gift to Benning, who sank 12.

Leading the scoring for McClellan was Notre Dame's John Housen with 12 markers. The lower floor play was sparked by Pivotman Jim Howe, star of the Kentucky high which reached the Madison Square Garden semi-finals last year.

Motor Pool Starts Fast

In the opener the Motor Pool eagles rushed off to a 31-6 lead by intermission time. The Eagle-Phoenix men recovered their balance sufficiently to make a respectable 21-point showing in the second half, but the Poolmen doubled that to turn in the most lopsided final score of the pre-season series.

Bill Allfrey led the Motorists with 13 points, followed by "Stu" McGaw, of Ohio's Miami U., and Bob Brenner, who sank nine markers each. Promising at the pivot position was John Weber, recently transferred from the Snipers. "Blackie" Blaxton looked best for Eagle-Phoenix with 13 points.

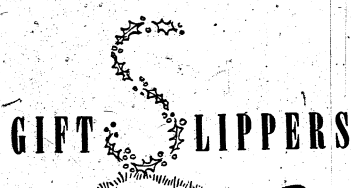
Lt. Lancaster Assigned To TIS School Troops

Recently assigned to Hq. and Hq. Detachment, School Troops of the Infantry School, is Lt. Miles Lancaster, former CO of Hq. Co., Third Infantry Regiment, while with that unit in the ETO recently.

With the Third year ago at Fort Benning, Lieut. Lancaster occupied the same quarter on the main post with that regiment as he now does in his present assignment.

The GI was working slowly on the parlor couch—too slowly for our gal, Tulsa Tess. Bored, she decided to give him just a teeny-weeny bit of encouragement. "Do you mind if I snap off the light?" she asked. "I freckle easily."

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ITD Demons Take Easy Victory Over Alabama Quintet

Taking a first-quarter lead of 12-6, where they never relinquished, the ITD No. 1 Demons of Fort Benning defeated an aggressive Fort McClellan basketball quintet Saturday night in the post gymnasium, winning 46-34 to make it two straight set-backs in as many nights for the McClellan outfit at the post.

The Demons increased their margin 23-11 at the half-way mark, and to 31-22 at the end of the third canto. The McClellan outfit rallied in the closing quarter to chalk up 12 points, the same number made by the Demons, but they were too far behind to salvage the win.

Scoring honors for the Demons were shared by Homer Osborne and Ace Maughan, both of whom had 12 points. In the half-way mark, Jim Howe, Fort McClellan center, took laurels for his contingent with nine markers. Twenty-nine fouls were called, 16 against Fort McClellan.

Demons, Wolves In Feature Cage Clash Tonight

BY CPL. PAUL LUKAS

The list of unbeaten contenders in the Fort Benning Basketball league is due to be reduced to night when three of the four clubs tied for first place in standings go into action.

Main interest will be centered on the clash between the ITD No. 1 Demons and the Academic Regiment Wolves who meet at the Harmony Church sports arena at 7:30 p. m. The Demons disposed of The Parachute School, 47-29, while the Wolves posted a 73-24 decision over Lawson Field Flyers in opening games for these rivals Tuesday night.

ITD No. 2 Snipers, who captured the Fort Benning post cage title last season, will try for their second straight victory in their set-off broadcast of the World Series. Starting time is 7:30 p. m. The Snipers, paced by Center Jim Housen, defeated the Wolves, 46-31, in their league debut Sunday.

Motor Pool and Parachute in the third game of the night at School quints are slated for battle the Main Post Gym. Action gets underway at 7:30 p. m. The Academic Regiment Profs, who were victorious over Motor Pool, 48-23, Sunday, are idle tonight, as are the Wolves.

After tonight's games, the basketballers will rest until Jan. 3.

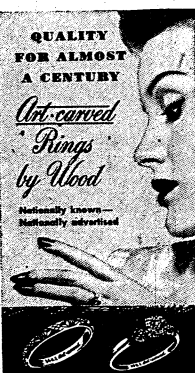
Loop Standings

Academic Profs	W	L	Pct.
ITD No. 1 Demons	1	0	1.000
Academic Wolves	1	0	1.000
ITD No. 2 Snipers	1	0	1.000
Motor Pool	0	1	.000
Parachute School	0	1	.000
Lawson Flyers	0	1	.000
TPS Troopers	0	1	.000

Name Lt. Lallathin To TIS WAC Post

First Lt. Elinor E. Lallathin has been appointed commanding officer of WAC Detachment Two, The Infantry School, replacing Capt. Bernice L. Marshall who has been ordered to Fort Sheridan, Ill., for separation, according to an announcement this week by Academic Regiment headquarters. Lieutenant Lallathin, who joined The Infantry School this October, had previously commanded a WAC company at Camp Croft, S. C. A former student of the Bankers Institute of Commerce, Akron, O., she was employed by the Goodyear aircraft corporation as a secretary before she enlisted.

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ITD NO. 1 DEMONS shown in their first group photo this season. Coached by Sgt. Earl Downey, the Demons expect to "go places" in the Fort Benning Post Basketball League. Standing left to right are: Fred Graft, forward and guard; Ebo Alberts, forward and guard; Caz Dombkowski, guard;

Sports Tab

BY JOHN A. KING

The meeting will come to order! The "Hot Stove League" is now in session. Gather around the stove, take a look at the wartime record of baseball and see what contributions those connected with the "national pastime" have made to the fighting men of America.

During the war years, baseball carried on, operating under tremendous pressure. Faced with severe difficulties, loss of key players and some sniping from various elements, those connected with the game kept it alive, feeling that they owed a debt not only to baseball itself but that in bringing service men and civilians entertainment, it would relieve some of the tension created by war nerves. The easiest way out would have been for the baseball magnates to throw in the towel and let the game die. Boistered by the courage of their convictions, baseball men kept the game alive. As a result, millions of fans, many of them service men, have been rewarded and club owners liberally repaid.

OVERSEAS BROADCASTS

Special pains were taken by the big league executives to carry radio broadcasts of the World Series to the men in the service all over the world. You can bet your board that the Dodgers, Yankees, Red Sox, and the other big league teams, from conquered Berlin to conquered Tokyo, were tuned in to the 1945 Series. The men in the service all over the world. You can bet your board that the Dodgers, Yankees, Red Sox, and the other big league teams, from conquered Berlin to conquered Tokyo, were tuned in to the 1945 Series. The men in the service all over the world.

ATLANTA'S EARL MANN

Typical of the attitude of baseball men during the war is that of Mr. Earl Mann, president of the Southern Association's Atlanta Crackers, and perennial producer of pennant winners. Next door to the TEXAS LEAGUE folded.

The Atlanta magazine, one of the best minor league executives in the business, reiterated his stand in 1945 when the fate of baseball was hanging on a slender thread and big league owners were pressing the then "Asst. President," Honorable James Byrnes, to give the greenlight to baseball. Mr. Byrnes thought the game was important enough to continue operating.

Mr. Mann opened Pone de Leon Park, home of the ATLANTA CRACKERS, to all men in uniform without charging a single cent for witnessing his aggressive, and expensive, clubs in action. Entertaining thousands of service men, Mr. Mann has earned the plaudits of the nation.

Don Thompson forward, Chet Denski, forward, Dan Maloney, guard, Coach Downey, Red Alexander, guard, Garland Peak, guard, Homer Osborn, forward, Allen Henderson, forward, Ariel Maughan, center, and Bob Fitzgerald, guard. Absent from photo: Gordon Corken and John Dunlop. Infantry School Photo by T-5 Murch.

Collins Picked For Ace 'Player of Week' Award

In a newly inaugurated feature of the Ace, First Army's 8-column tabloid, Danny Collins, high scoring forward from the 1200th Engineer Battalion, was picked as the initial winner of the Player of the Week award in the First Army Basketball League.

This award goes each week to the player selected as outstanding by sports writers of the Ace, and is based on scoring, defensive and play making ability. This week's winner possesses a combination of all three with the accent on the scoring for Collins has cornered every individual record in the first round games.

The brilliant Unicorn playmaker paced his team to win over the 682nd QM Swingers, 61-39 and the 602nd Medic Cloudbusters, 54-40, scoring 37 points in the Swinger contest and adding 15 more in the Cloudbuster fracas. Even in defeat Collins carried the burden, scoring 15 points as his club was noted by the league leading 3410th Ordnance Bombers 45-44, and 10 more as the 4th Headquarters dropped the Engineers 44-39.

His 37-point total against the QM outfit stands as a league record, as does the 18 field goals scored in that contest. He also holds the record for most free throws in a single game with five, and currently he's out in front in the league scoring race with 77 points in four contests for an average of 19.2.

Standing 6 feet, 1 1/2 inches and weighing around 185, and possessing a fine knowledge of fundamentals and basketball skill, the former Texarkana Arkansas, high school flash would make some college a terrific ball player.

Seaman Doesn't Enjoy Flagpole Battle Station

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 21.—(AP)—One place Seaman First Class Ralph R. Moreland doesn't want to be again is atop a flagpole during a battle.

During the Okinawa campaign, 18-year-old Moreland wrote his parents here that he was painting the top of a flagpole on a Navy hospital ship.

"All hell broke loose as two Jap suicide planes headed for a battleship in the midst of the ship concentration," he wrote. "The American ships put up a terrific anti-aircraft fire. The two Jap planes plunged into the water without hitting their mark, Moreland said.

"When I turned back to my job, I discovered that my forehead was covered with cold sweat," the letter concluded.

TOLEDO is the "sad sack" of the circuit. The MUDHENS have won only a single pennant and that dates way back to 1927.

Sergeant Changes Mind But is a Little Too Late

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. (U.P.)—Sgt. Captain E. Barker of the Army air force field at Fort Worth was offered a discharge from the service on the basis of his 158 points.

Barker refused the discharge. He said he thought he would like to go in the Army a while yet. The next day he changed his mind, applied for the discharge and offered him and couldn't get it. The discharge had been awarded another man. Barker has to wait for the next discharge quota.

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Lawson Fliers And Troopers Are Defeated

By PVT. HERB BLAU

Making an auspicious, but one-sided, league debut Tuesday, the Lawson Fliers, the Demons, and the Academic Regiment Wolves heralded their entrance into Fort Benning's basketball proceedings by resounding triumphs over The Parachute School, and the Lawson Field Flyers, respectively. The Fliers scored an easy 47-29 win at the Harmony Church Sports Arena, while the Wolves vanquished the Flier quintet, 73-24, at the Post Gym.

Getting off to a slow start, the Demons didn't need mousing along with a lethargic Trooper team, which showed signs of lack of practice.

With both clubs displaying a sluggish brand of ball, the Lawson Fliers maintained an almost constant advantage until the half, when a layup by Trooper Dave Householder, free throw by Seton Hall's ex-flash, Bob Fitzgerald, and a set by paragon-coach Carl Lullage of The Parachute School made the score 21-13.

Coming out for the second half, Fitzgerald lost no time in sinking a mid-court set, while Leeth caught the range with a one-hander from the bucket. With the score 25-16, the Demons began to pull away, and quick markers by Fitzgerald, Osborne and Borkka again made it 35-22. The Troopers' Leeth asserted himself in the next period, caging a succession of one-handed feats, but the Demons were coasting along on what turned out to be a secure margin. With Maughan, Borkka and Leeth's scoring effort only by two, Leeth's field goals, the Demons finally completed their decisive 49-27 margin of victory.

Two free throws by Homer Osborne, formerly of Eastern Kentucky, started off the scoring, which he quickly supplemented with a one-handed pivot. Wheeler Leeth, former All-American from Alabama, countered with a foul for the Troopers, but Maughan, Utah State luminary, sank a beautiful right to make it 5-1 for the Demons. Leeth and Maughan shared scoring honors for the night, both tallying fourteen points.

At no time during the fray did the "Chuties" threaten, the Demons' superior height giving them domination of the backboards. Sixty floor-pays by Caz Dombkowski, a high-school cager from Indiana, smoothly functioned with the veterans. Fitzgerald counted for 16 markers. "Slim" Hall was high man for the Fliers with three field goals and two free throws amounting to 8 points.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A



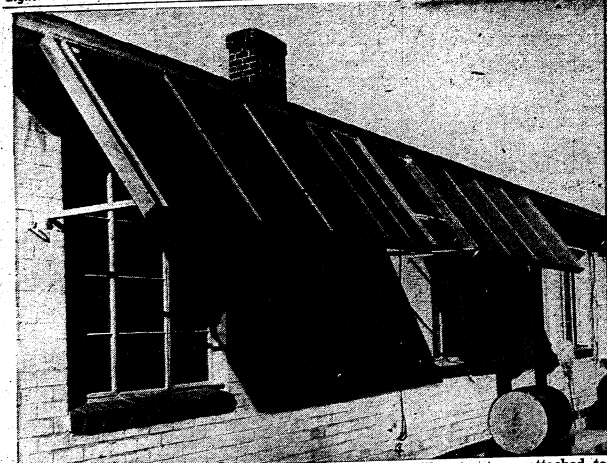
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HEATING WATER BY SUNLIGHT—These two awning-like structures attached to the side of two apartments at the Benning Park Homes are there to catch rather than hold out the sunlight. They are the exterior portion of a solar system put into operation Thursday to heat water. A similar system was installed at the central offices of the Columbus Housing Authority. If they are found adequate in this type climate, more will be installed in other project units by Spring.

Solar System Heating Water In Baker Village Experiment

Two new solar systems are now in operation as an experiment at the Newton D. Baker Village, Manager George D. McKenney has announced.

The two systems are installed at 98A and 98B Circle Drive, Benning Park Homes Thursday in an effort to determine whether the solar systems will be suitable replacements for the present electric and fuel oil fired hot water systems employed in many of the Baker Village Homes.

The simple-looking "ordinary" cheapest-grade of window pane" extends down from the roof eaves and looks a lot like an awning.

Copper tubing is under the glass and extends into the attic where large storage tanks are kept.

If the Columbus Housing Authority is satisfied with the performance of these two experimental tanks at Baker Village, then it is probable that all of the housing units will get the solar systems by next spring," Mr. Brown Nicholson, director of the Housing Project, said.

"We put them in at this time of

Blum is Named Sergeant Major Of 4th Hdq.

After more than two years of duty as the top enlisted man in First Army at Fort Benning, Mr. Sgt. Ray K. Koons has been succeeded by M-Sgt. Kenneth D. Blum as Sergeant Major of Fourth Headquarters, First Army.

The sergeant major post, carrying with it the responsibility of supervising the functioning of all sections of Fourth Headquarters, top administrative unit in First Army at Fort Benning, has always been known as the key position for an enlisted man in First Army at Fort Benning, and Koons has held the job since the autumn of 1943.

Here Since 1943

A native of Lingleston, Pa., Koons was representative in the Harrisburg, Pa., region for the Sunshine Biscuit Corp., before entering the Army. He has been at Fourth Headquarters since January of 1943, and before taking over the sergeant major post was personal NCO.

Blum, of Detroit, Mich., is well-known to Fort Benning residents as "Kenny Blue," and he has led his musical combo, "Kenny Blue and the Four Aces," in engagements all over the post. Before the war he played piano with Art Mooney, Isham Jones, Everett Hoagland, and Del Courtney, as well as heading his own band.

Before his appointment to the sergeant major position Blum was operations NCO for several years, and before that was in the air corps. He and his wife, Mrs. Vera J. Blum, live on the post.

Koons' departure for home within the month will break up a team of long duration. He is sergeant major and Major Neil R. Maxey as adjutant general have worked together at Fourth Headquarters for a long time, keeping the administrative system for First Army at Fort Benning functioning smoothly.

FALLS FOR DRESS LURE

NEW ALBANY, Ind. (UP)—Her love of pretty new dresses gave 7-year-old Ruth Anne's parents plenty of worry for two days.

A frantic search after the little girl failed to come home from her discovery with a 12-year-old girl. The older girl said she lured Ruth to her home by promising her dresses.

The girl told juvenile authorities that her brothers and sisters were all older than she and that she wanted someone to play with.

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R. A. Appointments Upped by House

To provide for the appointment of additional commissioned officers in the post war Regular Army, up to a total of 25,000, the House Military Affairs Committee last week reported, in an amended form, H. R. 4587.

The committee amended the bill to provide (1) that only active service after 21 shall be counted for grade commissioning purposes, and (2) that the number of colonels in the Army shall be 1054 instead of the present authorization of 708.

By the provisions of the bill officers would be commissioned in the grades of second lieutenant, first lieutenant, captain, and major, dependent on grade held by them in the AUS, qualification for the grade in which they are to be commissioned, but dependent also on the regulation that they must not be beyond a certain age for the grade.

There are 14,456 officers at present in the Regular Army, it will be possible for 10,544 Regular, National Guard or AUS officers to become commissioned as Regulars. Those commissioned could be so placed on the promotion list that, according to War Department plans, the danger of a promotion "hump" would be obviated.

The War Department believes that early enactment of the legislation will result in the receipt of many more applications for commissioning from officers who have been separated from the Army as well as from many still on duty.

BATAAN VET RE-ENLISTS

SHAWNEE, Kas., Dec. 19.—(P) Cpl. John G. Lally, 22, survived Bataan, the death march, three years and five months in a Japanese prison camp, malaria, dysentery, Japanese punishment torture, and temporary blindness during his Army service in the Pacific.

Now he has re-enlisted for a three-year hitch in the regular Army.

through their discharge papers to find out when the next premium is due, and before that date send a check or money order to the Treasurer of the United States. Vets wishing to reduce the amount of their insurance should write the VA to that effect. However, the amount of insurance must be a multiple of \$500, and the minimum is \$1,000.

Since National Service Life Insurance is presently limited to an eight-year term, a policyholder may want to convert before the period expires to government ordinary life, 20-payment life, or 10-payment life. This can be done by filling out VA Form 1535. The new policy will have a cash value after a year and vets may borrow on it if necessary, but conversion will sharply increase premium cost.

All persons who arranged to postpone payment on private insurance when they entered the service must bring their payments, up-to-date within two years after discharge if they wish to continue the insurance. If in a position to do so, ex-servicemen may want to keep both NSLI and private insurance. (To be continued next week.)

Alabama School Chief Sees Jump In Enrollment

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 19.—(P)—State School Supt. E. B. Norton said today he looked for a "tremendous increase" in college enrollment during the next five years, and predicted the "educational reawakening" would carry on indefinitely afterwards.

The other stimulus, he added, enrollment already is evident in the elementary and secondary grades, Dr. Norton pointed out, and he gave this as one factor in probably heavier demand for college training.

The other stimulus, he added, will come through the return of war veterans to the classroom. He thinks veterans going back to college will result in an educational reawakening which will bring a higher percentage of high school graduates into college and more elementary school graduates through high school and ready for college.

Dr. Norton said that the GI educational program, he predicted, "will be no flash in the pan. In my opinion it will be sustained for years to come."

For one thing, the school official said, ex-servicemen who attend for years to come, and others would return to classes as more and more veterans returned to the labor market.

An upturn in grade and high school attendance has been evident for the past decade or more, the superintendent recalled, and elementary enrollment now is almost as high as we could expect to maintain.

There has been a "phenomenal" growth in the number of high school students, he added, but still the spread between actual and potential enrollment is far greater in the upper grades than in the elementary classes.

The war cut heavily into the increase in secondary school attendance, but as war jobs faded out more and more boys and girls will return to school, Dr. Norton predicted.

This is explainable, he said, by the fact that there still is a heavy drop-out of students in the upper elementary grades, thus cutting into the high school potential.

The rapid increase in secondary school attendance halted during the war as boys and girls left to take war plant jobs, Dr. Norton added, but he predicted many of those students would return as the war jobs played out.

ANYTHING TO GET HOME

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 19.—Leave it to the Navy to outwit the transportation shortage. A bus driver opened the luggage compartment in the side of his vehicle, to have three sailors pop out.

Seems the jammed bus in New York, so they crawled in with luggage for their trip home.

Wartime Curfew For Post Soldiers Comes to An End

For the first time in 45 months, it was "curfew shall not ring tonight" Saturday for soldiers in Columbus. The midnight scramble to "make" the outpost before the deadline were at an end.

By order of acting post commander, Col. James O. Tarbox, Friday night was the last official "curfew night" since it was ordered in April, 1942, by the post commander, Brig. Gen. Walter Fulton.

Instituted as a measure to control war-time conduct of military personnel, the curfew has been discarded because of relaxed training schedules.

Colonel Tarbox said that military police town patrols would continue in both Columbus and Phenix City.

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Each U. S. Division Has Claim To Fame In War

NEW YORK (AP)—America's shifted across the globe to take doughboys of World War II have some required reading lined up in a volume that gives the first comprehensive roundup of infantry and tank action on a thousand battlefields from Guadalcanal to the Elbe river.

Military security and strategy made it necessary to keep many exploits of GI Joe under cover during the war. Now his story has been compiled in a book, "Fighting Divisions," which sums up the deeds of all of the Army's 88 wartime ground combat forces. Written by Chief Warrant Officer E. J. Kahn Jr., and Tech. Sgt. Henry McLemore, the book has been published by the Infantry Journal, a semi-official publication. It is believed to be the only complete account assembled for public reading of the war exploits of infantry and armored forces.

"Best Damn Division"
For those members of the public who have tried diligently to keep abreast of the progress of our fighting units, the task has usually been difficult and often impossible," the authors explain. "Such a defense, however, may carry little weight with a returning combat veteran who spent one, two or three years abroad as a fighting member of a division. He knows it is the best damn division in the world, and may want to make something of it if you don't agree."

Although only one soldier out of every five is an infantryman, the book points out, 64 per cent of the Army's Medals of Honor went to the foot soldiers, who suffered 75 per cent of the casualties.

88 Divisions Against Nazis
The book also discloses that 66 divisions were deployed in the European-Mediterranean theater, 15 in the Pacific. By coincidence, one division in each of the two theaters never got into combat, and two others, after brief sessions in Europe, were

shifted across the globe to take part in the occupation of Japan. Believers in numerology might note that the European division which didn't get into the fight was the 13th Airborne.

Into the action-jammed pages are crowded the agony and comedy, the unusual "firsts," the historic remarks of the men who rolled up thousands of miles through mud, sand and snow.

Taking their places alongside the fiery "nuts" with which Brig. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe of the 101st Airborne greeted the demand to surrender at Bastogne, are the calm "it's all right boys—this is the 4th Armored" of the lead commander of the rescuing tank forces in the same engagement, and the "these are my credentials" of Brig. Gen. C. D. Canham, who wearily waved at his girlfriend's doughboys of the 8th when asked for credentials by a haughty Nazi lieutenant general who wished to surrender.

"Shooting Sure Fine"
There is also the comment of the buck private of the 87th after capturing the sports center of Oberhof in the Black Forest. "We arrived too late for the skiing and skating. But the shooting sure as hell was fine," and the telephone call put in by a unit of the 95th at Rheims: "Give us your best German in Berlin—and make it collect."

Each of the 88 divisions which got into action recorded achievements which caused their doughboys to vow they were the best of all, but here are a few of the most unusual deeds.

The 3rd fought the Nazis on every front—North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany. Besides the record high of casualties, the 3rd received the greatest number of combat citations.

The 5th became famous as the division which outran its supplies when it crossed 700 miles of France in two months.

In 10 months of combat, the



FAREWELL—Mrs. Lillian Goodman Lawson, above, who had been an employee in the adjutant general's office. The Infantry School, received a commendation from Maj. Gen. John W. O'Daniel, commander for services rendered during the last four years. General O'Daniel is shown bidding farewell to Mrs. Lawson, who resigned her position Friday. She resides at 2153 East Eighth street, Columbus, Ga.

8th was out of action only 10 days.

The 28th fought nine German divisions singlehandedly during the Rundstedt's Ardennes offensive.

During the battle of the bulge, the 35th (President Truman's old division) fought on three widely separated sectors within a few days.

First American division to land on the continent of Europe was the 36th of Texas which held the precarious beachhead at Salerno for five critical days. Later it established the modern Army record of 132 days of consecutive fighting. Included in the 442nd combat team of Japanese-Americans.

78th First Across Rhine

The 78th was the first infantry unit to cross the vital Rhine bridge at Remagen after it was captured by the 9th armored. With the 2d and 80th, the 78th shared the distinction of using cooks and clerks for combat purposes during various phases of the campaign.

The 32d captured so many vehicles at the Hamm rail yards that it completely motorized itself.

The 8th was the first all-Southern Service division committed to action, and was also the only division to capture a town by speeding into it on the Italian campaign.

Two Negro Divisions

The 92d and 93d were the two divisions used all Negro enlisted men. The 92d fought for nine months up the west coast of Italy.

The 93d saw action in the Pacific. Among the armored divisions, the 2d was the first American division into Berlin and is still sure it would have gone into the city ahead of the Russians if it had not been halted by orders; the 3d was the first unit to enter Germany. The lucky 7th used 10,000 tons of gas a day during the European drive and rounded up 113,042 prisoners.

The 16th averaged 8,000 prisoners per day in combat—but was in action only one day, last May 6 at Pilsen.

In the Pacific:

The 7th was the first to recapture American territory when it went ashore at Attu.

11th Free Airborne Division
The 11th only airborne division in the Pacific) made the notable raid on Los Banos prison in the Philippines where 2,000 prisoners were freed. The 11th's troops were the first to land on Japan.

The 24th hit the Japanese in 13 invasions. Its landing in New Guinea in April 1944 was later termed the most brilliantly conceived and executed tactical maneuver of the Pacific war.

The 33d gained fame as the money division during the Philippines campaign when it captured a half million dollars worth of silver pesos at Rosario, unharmed another \$70,000 the next day, and then during the battle for Baguio captured 12 gold mines that had an annual prewar output worth \$50,000,000 pesos.

The 71st, or Jungleers, had more jungle fighting than any other American unit all the way from Papua to Zamboanga.

There was one division which was out of combat for most of the war, but which nevertheless won the right to take its place at the very top of those which achieved fame. Its men were the regulars who wear the carabao head on their shoulder patch, the men of the Philippine division which fought on Bataan.

War II Pension Claims
Now Total 1,387,241

WASHINGTON, D. C. (ALNS)—The Veterans Administration states that 1,387,241 World War II veterans have filed claims for disability pensions. Claims are coming in faster than ever before, and are expected to reach an average of 200,000 a month during the next year. Handling the claims has been speeded up, but the Administration is still unable to process them as fast as received and already there is a backlog of 210,000 cases.

Yanks In Rome Learn To Drive As Romans Do

ROME (AP)—Rome's traffic problem, which at best is like a scene from a Keystone comedy, is becoming bigger and noisier as more cars return to circulation.

With Italy's rehabilitation progressing, more motorists are able to obtain gasoline. Others have succeeded in recovering cars taken by the Germans or those requisitioned by the Allies.

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91 Freight Cars Handled Daily In Army Harbor

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19 (UP)—If you put together all the freight cars used to bring Army cargoes to the Philadelphia Cargo Port of Embarkation from its terminus at the end of the war in Europe, you would have a train reaching from Philadelphia to Toledo, Ohio, and then some.

The Army reveals that it took 65,562 freight cars—91 per day—to deliver 4,789,016 tons of supplies to this port city from May, 1943, to the end of April, 1945. The balance of the 4,888,487 tons that were shipped from Hogs Island and South Philadelphia by the Army Transportation Corps arrived by motor freight and express.

Commander of the Army's Philadelphia Cargo Port is Col. Alex B. MacNabb. It was under his direction that the millions of tons of general cargo, trucks, guns, tanks, food, locomotives and medical supplies were speeded across the Atlantic.

Peak month for the installations, which operated 24 hours a day, seven days a week in March, 1945, when Army rail traffic into Philadelphia totaled 8,961 freight cars.

And the job isn't over, Col. MacNabb says. Thousands of tons of food, clothing and subsistence items are still being shipped from here to our troops in Europe.

"The European fighting may be over, but millions of our soldiers are still there," he said. "They must be fed and clothed. They need medical supplies and recreation equipment. The Philadelphia Cargo Port of Embarkation, is dispatching these occupation cargoes now, and we'll be doing it for a long time to come."

Enlisted Men's Club Is Formed For 1290th

Formation and operation of a club for non-commissioned officers of the 1290th Engineer Combat Battalion in Harmony Church has been announced by Lt. Charles Eyster, Adjutant of the 1290th.

Under the supervision of Lt. James I. Harris, Custodian of the NCO Club's operation fund, and managed by Col. Dudley Roberts, Adjutant of the 1290th, the club was organized for the convenience of the NCO's of the 1290th.

Established in an officer's mess building, the club is provided with tables, chairs, a "juke box," and other such items. It is also equipped with a short order counter which serves beer, soft drinks, sandwiches, hamburgers, cigarettes and other such items to customers.

With a membership of over a hundred already recorded, the club has room for over 200 men. It plans a program either of weekly or twice-weekly dances, and a special party will doubtless be arranged for Christmas and New Year's Eve.

A large mural depicting the travels of the 1290th both in the European Theater of Operations and in the United States has been painted by Sgt. Frank Dietrich. Dietrich also handled other decorative effects.

CRAB GRASS USEFUL
COLLEGE STATION, Tex., Dec. 19.—(UP)—Texas farmers can't do much crabbing about crab grass any more. Eastland County Agricultural Agent J. M. Cooper has discovered a farmer who fattened 100 cattle in fine fashion on the crab grass which ruined his 50-acre peanut field.

Air Trail Hotels To Serve Tourists

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 19 (UP)—The postwar era probably will bring with it a series of "Air Trail Inns," one of which has already opened up in Norwalk, O., a 20-minute flight from Cleveland.

Operated by Park Ernstberger, a licensed pilot, the inn serves well-cooked meals in the cool and quiet of the country. Already Clevelanders—and folks from Toledo, Columbus and Sandusky—are dropping in on Ernstberger and his wife and relaxing twist the morning and afternoon work.

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The Bayonet, Thursday, December 20, 1945

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Vanderbilt Mansion Stripped For Movies

NEW YORK (ALNS)—When the furnishings of the fabulous Vanderbilt mansion were placed on auction here, many of the buyers were from the motion picture producing companies, seeking authentic furnishings that will be

filmed in future pictures built around high society." Paramount paid \$3,500 for the ballroom that cost William H. Vanderbilt \$75,000. Other purchases, equally as good bargains, were made. Amelita Galli-Curci, famed coloratura soprano, is a self-taught vocalist.

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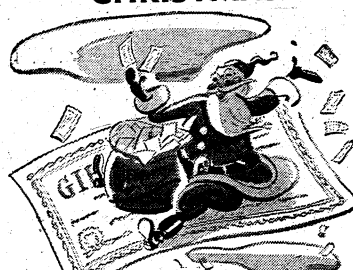
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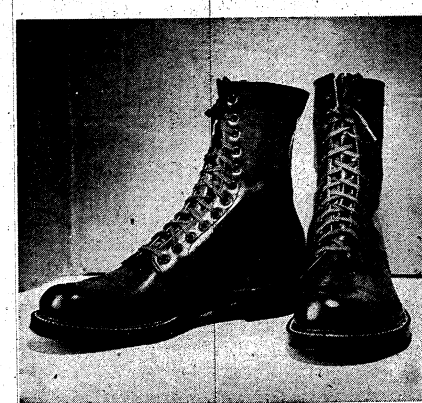
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167th Signal Co. Publishes Combat 'Photo Yearbook'

Dedicated to their commanding officer, Capt. Merle H. Chamberlain, a book presenting the history of the 167th Signal Photo Company overseas and in training in the United States has been published by the members of the company.

Bound in red leather, and containing 425 photographs, the book has been pronounced by those who have seen it as "definitely the finest thing of its type in existence," and many have been the praises and the commendations extended to the 167th for it.

Only 155 copies were printed, one for each member, and the cost to each company officer and enlisted man was twelve dollars. The book was printed by a Columbus publisher.

The cover, in rippled leather, contains the figures "167" in white and newswall and still cameras are tooled into the leather.

Dedicated to Capt. Chamberlain, the frontispiece contains his portrait and an inscription written by one of the editors. The book is divided into eight sections, and each section is plentifully illustrated.

The personnel section contains photographs of the three 167th

men given direct battlefield commissions. S-Sgt. Anthony Sipko, Jr., S-Sgt. Laverne Woods, and M-Sgt. Eugene von Oeder, all officers and enlisted men in the unit, are next portrayed, with nicknames or an identifying tagline imprinted underneath.

MAP SHOWS 'ITINERARY'
The history section of the book contains a humorous map showing the unit's progress throughout its existence, as well as a calendar of dates and a complete history written by Tec Paul Berg and Tec 4 William B. Harrison.

The third section of the book, Awards, contains photostatic reproductions of the unit commendations. Included are the meritorious service unit plaque citation by General Omar Bradley, Commanding General of the 12th Army Group under which the 167th functioned overseas, the commendation given by Brig. Gen. Harland W. Black, Signal Officer of the 12th Army Group, and the letter of commendation sent by



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Academics Promote 280 EM In 'Pre-Christmas' Order

Santa Claus came early this year for 280 members of the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, who were promoted in time to enjoy a really "Merry Christmas."

Top honors in the longest promotion list in regimental history went to three men who were awarded technical sergeant's stripes and nine who earned their first "rockers" as staff sergeants or technicians third grade. Eighty-one have been advanced to sergeant or technician fourth, while 151 are now corporals or technicians fifth grade. Thirty-six privates are serving on their first stripes as privates first class.

Men rewarded, grouped according to their rank, are:

Sergeants—Oliver T. Bryant, Edward J. Kimball and William E. McGraw; **Staff Sergeants**—Frank Soderker, Charles E. Morris, Lindsey L. Ruch, Ralph W. Watson, Dan J. Foley, John D. Yates and James L. Francisco; and **Technicians**—Third Grade: Harry E. Feltz and Edward A. Roberts.

Staff Sergeants—Robert E. Biedeman, Robert R. Bonner, Boyd L. Clement, Earl O. Davis, Armando DePalma, William E. Evans, Thomas C. Gilmore, Wallace W. Harrell, Floyd H. Jackson, Nicholas Kautsky, Charles J. King, Edward Korosek, Charles E. Lang, Charles W. McManis, George T. Meyer, John D. Nicellotti, George R. Oysterman, John J. Phillips, Robert L. Scheppe, Paul C. Sullivan, William E. Swadker, James T. Gliss, Jr., William S. Dusk, Palmer G. E. Kellogg, Constantine Kienbauch, Joseph C. Kiersey, William E. Kiersey, Vincent F. Plesner, Donald H. Simmler, Floyd A. Thompson, Herbert O. Wilkerson, Charles E. Ayres, Emil J. Beckman, Jr., George T. McKenney.

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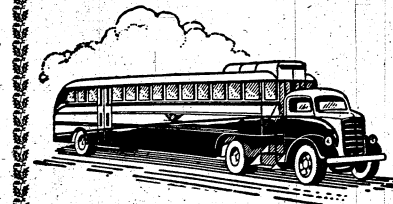
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WRBL To Air Orange Bowl Game New Year's Day

Sportscaster Ted Husing and assistant Jimmy Dolan will broadcast the annual Orange Bowl invitation football game on New Year's Day, Tuesday, Jan. 1, from Miami, exclusively over the full Columbia network. The program will be heard locally over WRBL from 1:45 to 4:30 p. m. EST.

Competing teams this year will be the University of Miami Coral Gables, Florida; and Holy Cross, Worcester, Mass.

It will be Husing's tenth consecutive Orange Bowl broadcast, and the seventh consecutive year that the game has been sponsored by the Gillette Safety Razor Company.

Both Miami and Holy Cross have excellent seasonal records, each having lost only one game. It will be the fourth trip to the Orange Bowl for the Miami Hurricanes, who competed in the first Bowl game, in 1933. It will be the Crusaders' first Bowl contest in the college's history.

Among the standout players is Stan Kozolowski, Holy Cross captain who recently won the Bulger Lowe Memorial Award, presented annually to the outstanding football player in New England. Harry Gaul, backfield star of the Hurricanes, is the nation's fourth highest scorer, having rolled up 100 points this season.

School Troops Send 2,000 On Furlough

More than 2,000 officers and enlisted men of School Troops, The Infantry School, will go off their homes to the north, south and west, starting Saturday in a general allotment of furloughs, leaves, furloughs and passes granted for the first Yuletide holiday since V-J Day. For many this will be the first Christmas spent at home since the war.

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Directed by S-Sgt. Ingver L. Hansen, a busy crew of postal clerks is doing a top-notch job in the traditional fashion of "Neither snow, nor rain nor black of night" completion of their appointed rounds. School troops maintain their own post offices at the main post court and at Harmony Church.

Assisting Sergeant Hansen are: Tec 4 John R. Livengood, Tec 4 Charles H. Fluge, Cpl. Charles Koerner, Tec 5 Stanley J. Severs, Tec 5 Virgil J. Kinney and Pfc. Max Lichtman at the main post, and Tec 5 Robert E. Raymond and Tec 5 David Farin at Harmony Church.

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Frightens Jap Into Killing Himself

OKINAWA, Dec. 27—(U.P.)—When husky Marine Cpl. Rodney E. Snyder of Richmond, Cal., jumped from his foxhole to escape explosion of a live grenade accidentally dropped, he so frightened a Japanese soldier in an other hole ten feet away that the latter committed suicide.

The Japanese had been hurling hand grenades. Snyder promptly started to retaliate. He pulled the pin from one of his own grenades, but fumbled and dropped it. Snyder disregarded the enemy and jumped from his foxhole. The Japanese committed suicide by holding a grenade to his face and firing it.

HOME WORK

DECATUR, Ill., Dec. 18—(U.P.)—Return of women veterans from military service is posing no problems for the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Company.

Four of 11 women employees who returned took their old jobs back at the pre-enlistment pay, plus increases granted during their absence.

Then all four got married and quit their jobs.

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Estimate of \$100 Billion on Surplus War Material Is 'Gross Exaggeration'

There have been many estimates of the amount of war surplus. The figure \$100 billion is perhaps the most common. Sometimes the guesses go up—\$150 billion, \$200 billion and even \$235 billion. Occasionally one hears the statement that "one third of the nation is for sale."

These statements are fantastic. Estimates of \$100 billion and \$150 billion are gross exaggerations. The amount of usable civilian surplus is far below either of these figures.

The best estimate available is that of the Surplus Property Administration. In the year ending July 1, 1946, SPA reports property costing \$32 billion will become surplus in the United States and our territories. This is in the first year after the end of hostilities and will be the biggest year for surplus.

It is significant that of the \$32 billion, only \$3 billion is in consumer goods. The largest single item in the SPA estimate is \$10.7 billion in aircraft, most of which are battle planes unsuitable for civilian use. The next largest category are war plants and equipment costing \$10 billion. Airports, farm and forest lands, property in island and territorial possessions, housing projects, manufacturing materials and production equip-

ment make up the balance of the \$32 billion.

Just how much war surplus the Army will have will depend on a number of factors that in the fall of 1945 had not yet been determined. How large will the post-war military establishment be, for example? For how long, roughly, will the armies of occupation serve? How much military property shipped to foreign theaters of combat remains unexpended and serviceable? How much property have recent scientific developments made obsolete? What war plants shall be held in post-war reserve?

Four Key Factors The War Department originates about three-fourths of all government surplus. Four key factors will tend to reduce the amount of Army surplus in the United States of interest to consumers:

1. The greater part of all Army material left over at the end of the war has no civilian use. The high-cost items largely are strictly military items—such as bombers, heavy tanks, heavy explosives and specialized signal equipment. It is probable that two-thirds of all Army material unexpended at the end

of the war has no civilian use other than as scrap.

2. At least half of the Army supplies and equipment at the end of the war was overseas. Except as may be required by the Army for military purposes, this property will be left overseas. It will not become a part of the surplus for sale to civilians in this country.

3. Of the property released for civilian use, a great amount will be second-hand. This is particularly true of machine tools, trucks, construction equipment, cooking facilities, and cots and bedding.

4. Relatively little food, clothing and other subsistence items in heavy civilian demand will become surplus. This is because the Army cut back procurement during the Japanese surrender and in the months required to return troops from overseas and reduce the Army to the peace-time size, most subsistence items on hand are being used up.

There is one further consideration. Congress laid out the policy that as far as possible surplus should be disposed of through normal channels of trade. As a result, much of the surplus that is standard merchandise will be put up for sale at the corner drug store, hardware store or chain outlet and seldom be recognized as surplus.

Large quantities of scrap are inevitable as the Army cuts down the supplies left over from war. The sooner property is scrapped, the greater the net return; for it costs money and ties up personnel to warehouse, maintain, and service property in storage, and the costs of prolonged storage can easily exceed the ultimate return on property of relatively little current value. Good management directs a bold policy in scrapping property.

In addition, some Army property which is now in remote areas of the world and which the disposal agency finds cannot be sold where it is and would cost more to transport and reclaim than it is worth, will be abandoned. Here the less must be written off as a part of the waste of war.

How Surplus Is Sold As a general rule, the Army does not sell surplus. Neither does the Navy. Their business is war and the defense of the nation, not merchandising.

When a department or agency of the Federal government has surplus property, it gives up the surplus to one of the designated disposal agencies which are the sales representatives of the United States government.

Formerly, the Department of Commerce sold consumer goods. That responsibility has now been taken over by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. The RFC now sells consumer goods, production goods, construction material, raw materials and aircraft—accounting in all for about 90 per cent of government surplus.

For other types of surplus, sales are made by the following:

For maritime property. The U. S. Maritime Commission.

For food and agricultural commodities. The Commodity Credit Corporation of the Department of Agriculture.

For housing and housing facilities. The Federal Public Housing Authority.

For real estate sold in connection with industrial, maritime or housing properties: The disposal agency handling those properties.

For farm and forest land: The Federal Land Banks.

For mineral grazing land: The Department of Interior.

For other types of real estate. The Public Buildings Administration.

Congress laid out the broad policy on surplus in the Surplus Property Act of 1944. The administration of this act and the supervision of the disposal of surplus is the responsibility of the Surplus Property Administration (SPA) in Washington.

The SPA does not originate surplus property. It does not sell surplus. It is a policy agency supervising the disposal and sale of all war surplus. Sales are made by regional offices of the various disposal agencies. Inquiries should be directed there.

The moment the War Department declares a piece of property to be surplus, the handling of that property comes under the supervision of the SPA. Normally, the declaration of surplus is made at an Army depot simply by listing the property on a standard form and sending that form, as a notification, to the nearest regional office of the disposal agency handling that particular kind of property.

Preference in Sales In the sale of surplus, the SPA has established for the disposal agencies two broad priorities:

First, federal, state and local governments may satisfy their needs ahead of all other buyers. Second, war veterans may buy surplus direct from the government but only for use in their own small business, agricultural or professional enterprise, and not merely for personal use.

Special arrangements also have been made to channel surplus to educational, medical and charitable institutions.

Vets' Preference Limited Whether a veteran has a preference depends upon the use he is to make of the property. The veteran has no priority on the purchase of surplus property unless he is to use it in his own small business, agricultural or professional enterprise, or unless the nature of his business requires him to own the property. He cannot exercise this priority unless he first obtains clearance from the War Relocation Authority of the War Relocation Authority.

Without this priority, there is no way for the veteran, as an individual, to buy consumer goods, such as trucks, tools and farm equipment direct from a government disposal agency.

Veterans' organizations and state, county or municipal governments may obtain priority in U. S. military weapons for display purposes. Other groups which donated weapons for scrap early in the



\$2,500 IN BONDS purchased by Steve Hannan (center) spurs post Victory Loan Drive. Here Hannan, who is a civilian employee in the Sand Hill Automotive Shop, is presented the bonds by Capt. J. R. Griffiths of the Automotive Shop, right, as Col. John Pitts, Victory Savings Bond Officer for Post Ordinance, looks on. Capt. John W. Inzer, Post Savings Officer, today urged a final effort on the part of all civilian and military personnel to insure Fort Benning's success in this final Victory Loan Drive. (Signal Lab Photo.)

war also may obtain weapons to replace those turned in.

Organizations interested should write to the Chief of Ordnance, War Department, Washington 25, D. C. Those receiving the weapons must pay the cost of packing and shipping.

General disposal of enemy equipment must await congressional action.

The Army policy of quickly releasing surplus property to the civilian economy was adopted early in war. This policy recognizes Army property sold during a period of shortages can be absorbed with the least disturbance to the normal civilian economy and with the greatest return to the taxpayer.

On the day Japan surrendered, the Army Service Forces placed in effect plans worked out well in advance for the immediate release of civilian-type goods for that time, sales were the greatest civilian need.

How rapidly civilians can buy surplus war property depends now on two factors: First, the speed of the Army's release of this property; second, the ability of the disposal agencies to put military surpluses on the market.

By fall 1945, the disposal agencies had a heavy backlog of Army property which had been declared surplus but which had not yet been offered for sale. At that time, sales were running far behind declarations of surplus.

Some backlog was inevitable with the sharp increase in the release of military surplus. The sale of surplus is a tremendous task. Frequent testing of fair prices and the satisfaction of priorities and of broad social and economic policy are involved in the Surplus Property Act.

But the existence of a large backlog tends to slow down the release of additional surplus. War Department surplus awaiting sale is warehoused by the Army. The storage, care, handling and accounting for the property remains the responsibility of the Army. An unbroken large backlog increases the administrative work of the Army and tends to slow up the release of additional surplus.

There is a limited exception to the policy that surplus property is sold by the disposal agencies. The War Department itself sells or supervises sales of two types of property, the total amount of which is small in relation to sales by disposal agencies.

Salvage and scrap from Army

installations is sold locally by the Army. In good measure, this material is a by-product of the Army's housekeeping operations. It includes garbage, grease, tin cans, waste fats, waste paper, etc. Sales are handled at the various posts, camps, stations and other installations where the scrap and salvage exists.

2. SMALL LOTS: To avoid the paper work and excessive cost of handling small quantities of surplus, Army installations may sell small lots of surplus—that is, single items or groups of items where the cost of all substantially similar items offered for sale at any one time and place does not exceed \$300.

Money received from the sale of Army surplus, whether the sale was made by a disposal agency or the War Department, is paid to the United States Treasury. It does not become a part of the War Department funds and cannot be spent by the War Department.

When the war ended, probably more than half the Army's material was overseas. As a general rule, the War Department is returning this property to the United States ONLY if the Army needs the property for its own use. In writing the Surplus Property Act, Congress laid down the rule that once property overseas had been declared surplus, it could not be returned for use in the United States, except by a war veteran.

Army property overseas is of two types:

1. Strictly military property such as guns, ammunition, tanks and aircraft.

2. Civilian-type supplies, such as shoes, clothing, tents, locomotives, trucks, medical supplies and small tools.

If military property is obsolete, it will be sold for salvage. The engine of a tank, for example, will be taken out and sold, and the rest of the tank sold for scrap metal. If the military property is not obsolete but has strategic value to the United States, it will be handled as a part of the nation's post-war military reserve. Some will

be returned to the United States, some will be used by the Armies of occupation, and some may be disposed of to friendly countries.

Early in the war, the Army sold its own surplus property overseas. Sales were small, principally in North Africa and the Middle East as our troops moved out of these areas. Generally, the property sold was of no further military use or not worth transporting to combat areas.

In the spring of 1945 the Army and Navy created a disposal agency for the military services—the Office of the Army-Navy Liquidation Commissioner, operating overseas only, with the supervisory office in Washington. This office has now been transferred to the State Department, and is known as the Office of the Foreign Liquidation Commissioner. As rapidly as it sets up its organization, in the various overseas Theaters of Command, this office becomes the selling agency for all government surplus overseas.

In order that the best use can be made of our surplus property abroad, a system of priorities has been established. The Surplus Property Act provides that surpluses must first be offered to our own government agencies who would otherwise be buying goods in this country. Continued on Page 13

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Low-Point GIs Feel Worse If Hounded on Homecoming

TOKYO—(AP)—"If your soldier is serving with occupation troops overseas, don't keep him upset and unhappy by constantly asking him when he is coming home," this is the advice of Lt. Col. Henry A. Cotton, executive officer in the office of the chief surgeon, Tokyo. Col. Cotton, whose home is in Princeton, N. J., said low-point servicemen are going to have plenty of time to think about going home and that letters that keep this question in their minds will only make their jobs tougher.

Needed for Occupation
"It is only natural that people back in the States should want to know when their husbands, sweethearts and sons are coming home," he said. "However, they must realize that occupying troops are necessary and that low-point men will be on duty in occupation zones for some time."

"A constant stream of letters is good for a soldier's mental hygiene—unless those letters keep hounding him about coming home. People in America can help these boys complete their task by avoiding subjects that will create mental turmoil."

He said the men will have their regular duties to perform and also will have extensive training. In addition, the Army plans to keep the boys busy by instituting extensive recreational programs. This way the Army hopes to reduce the boredom of occupational life.

Guard Against Ills
Col. Cotton said the Army is not only looking after the mental health of troops here but is taking every precaution to protect them against diseases found in the Orient. He is confident that the Army can lick physical ills but says the people at home must help with mental problems.

Army Discharges Total 40 P. C.

More than 40 per cent of those in the Army on V-E Day have already been returned to civil life in a demobilization program which is operating twice as fast as that which followed World War I. More than one-half of the personnel in the Army at its peak strength on V-E Day will be demobilized before Jan. 1, 1946.

The latest demobilization figures, released by the War Department today, are:
Returns to civil life:
Released during week ending 30 Nov. 1945—265,000.
Total released during Nov. 1945 1,186,000.
Total released V-J Day (2 Sept. 1945) through 30 Nov. 1945—3,042,000.
Total released during the period 12 May 1945, through 30 Nov. 1945—3,634,000.

DRIVES FIRE TO STATION
WOONSOCKET, R. I., Dec. 19 (AP)—When his truck caught fire, Louis Dubois drove a mile to the nearest fire station where the flames were extinguished with no damage to the all-steel truck body.



DISNEY ALUMNUS, Pvt. Hal Clay, artist at The Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Ga., is shown sketching his old "buddy," Donald Duck, in a spare moment. (Infantry School Photo.)

Disney Cartoonist Added To Infantry School Staff

If cartoons begin to turn up in training manuals or other Infantry School these days, it will probably be because Pvt. Hal Clay, a recent addition to the Art Staff of the Training Literature and Visual Aids Branch, is assisting in the "Hollywood Cartoonists' College," better known as Walt Disney's Studio. While there he had the pleasure of "hoodling" the anatomy of Donald Duck, Mickey Mouse, and some of the others of Disney's mirth-provoking menagerie. The last cartoon feature he did animation sketches for, was "Make Mine Music"—a forthcoming Disney production. Private Clay spent an apprenticeship in the "Hollywood Cartoonists' College," better known as Walt Disney's Studio. While there he had the pleasure of "hoodling" the anatomy of Donald Duck, Mickey Mouse, and some of the others of Disney's mirth-provoking menagerie. The last cartoon feature he did animation sketches for, was "Make Mine Music"—a forthcoming Disney production.

Legion Of Merit Award Granted To 4 Army Men

Three officers and one enlisted man, all members of Army Ground Forces Board No. 3, received the Legion of Merit award at a ceremony Saturday. Presentation was made by Brig. Gen. Harlan N. Hartness, president of AGF Board No. 3.
Recipients were Col. Ned Blair, Col. Paul E. Leiber and Maj. O. J. Allen, and M-Sgt. Douglas McL. Reichert.
Citizens were also read awarding the Legion of Merit to Col. Ingomar M. Oseth, former member of the board now serving in the European theater and Lt. Col. Edward B. Crossman, on temporary duty in Washington, D. C.
General Hartness presented the Combat Infantryman's badge to Pfc. Charles E. Spangler, of Board No. 3 and to Pfc. Edward J. Sobocinski, member of AGF Board 3 Detachment.
The following received the Good Conduct Medal: S-Sgt. Walter W. Rockwell, Sgt. Richard E. Root and Pfc. Clyde B. Sellers, all of AGF Board No. 3 and T-4 Donald N. Seidenschlag, Pfc. Glenn C. Miller and Pfc. Harold J. Miller, all of AGF Board No. 3 Detachment.

PWs at Tifton Earn \$50,135 For Treasury

The Treasury of the United States received \$50,135.18 for the work performed by PWs at Ft. Benning's temporary Prisoner of War camp, Tifton, Ga., from August through November, according to Col. Harry F. Dudley, commanding officer of the base.
Colonel Dudley quoted the report of Capt. Maxwell C. Campbell, base and contracting officer, covering activities of the Tifton camp from Aug. 1, 1945, until the Tifton installation was inactivated Nov. 21.
The 250-man camp at Tifton was established on a temporary basis to make available Prisoner of War labor under private contract for the harvest of 1945 food crops and to assist in non-agricultural industry. Colonel Dudley pointed out.
"Such assistance was granted only when civilian and free labor was not available," the colonel explained.
Farmers in the Tifton community were aided in the peanut season by PWs. They harvested 100,454 stacks of peanuts. Prisoners of War spent 61,399 man hours harvesting miscellaneous food crops.
After the conclusion of harvest season, PWs were used temporarily in non-agricultural industry. They cut and stacked 380 cords of pulpwood, and in general labor they supplied 28,503 man hours of work.
Farmers utilizing the services of German PWs pay the government prevailing labor wages, with the government using the money to offset PW internment costs.

State Gold Mining Expected To Soar

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 18—(AP) Georgia's gold mining industry is expected to show new life with the release of war-time prisoners. Assistant State Geologist A. S. Furcor said Monday.
Furcor said the industry is planning a revival after shortages of equipment and labor caused a virtual standstill during the war. He predicted a complete surge of gold mining possibilities in the state has been completed by the U. S. Geological Survey and will be available within a few days. Furcor said the total extent of gold mining in the state cannot be predicted now, but that the report will disclose there is "lots of gold" to be mined.
Before the war there was an increase from \$20 to \$25 an ounce in the price of gold. "The increase still is effective, and now we will have men and equipment to benefit from it," he said.
Gold is to be found in areas of north Georgia.

Ten Years In Germany, Predicts McNary

FRANKFURT, Germany (ALNS)—A ten-year occupation of Germany may be expected, declared Gen. Joseph T. McNary at a press conference here. Gen. McNary said he succeeded Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower as commander when Eisenhower was named chief of staff of the Army.

JUST LIKE HOME

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 27—(AP)—L. W. McCreight, court reporter for District Judge J. Thornton, was recording testimony of his wife when she appeared as a supporting witness for a friend seeking a divorce.
Unable to hear his wife, the court reporter asked her to speak up.
"Listen, Mrs. McCreight," said the judge. "Speak out in a firm, bold voice just like you talk at home when you're mad at your husband."

Open Engineer School For 1st Army Troops

An Engineer Heavy Equipment School, for new Engineer troops, is being conducted in the Harmony Church area by the 1290th Engineer Combat Battalion, under the supervision of Lt. John N. Morgan.

Designed to impart to new heavy equipment operators the know-how of the job as acquired by the 1290th men who operated the equipment overseas during the Battle of Europe, the school is attended by the veteran operators as instructors and the new operators as students. The teacher-pupil method is utilized until the new operator becomes thoroughly versed in the task of operating his machine.

Machines utilized in the class include bulldozers, all-terrain, road patrol, caterpillar tractors, and shovels, all of them used by the 1290th in combat. A large clearing of ground is the scene of the class, and the equipment is driven up and down, over hills, and through all types of terrain, to give the new students a complete knowledge of the machine's operation.

Repair of heavy equipment is also taught in the school, with personnel entrusted with maintenance being given complete courses in the repair of all equipment.

The 1290th was a 15th Army unit overseas, and its members earned battle stars for the Central European campaign. The unit also did much work in the recovery and rehabilitation jobs performed on war-torn cities, clearing rubble and debris away with the heavy equipment.

The unit returned to Fort Benning and First Army after having been originally scheduled for redeployment direct to the Pacific. The ship on which 1290th men were traveling was two days out into the Atlantic, headed for the Panama Canal and the Pacific, when Japan surrendered and the boat was turned back to the United States.

Re-enlistments In First Army Climb to 265

Reenlistment totals among First Army troops at Fort Benning have moved to the 265 mark. Lieutenant Frank W. Rose, recruiting officer for Fourth Headquarters, First Army, announced today.

Lieutenant Rose, who has supervision over the recruiting program for all First Army troops stationed at Fort Benning, briefly described the work of the reenlistment program. "At least half of the men reenlisting," he said, "are new men who realize that the reenlistment program not only gives them a furlough home and mustering-out pay, but gives them a set date when they will be discharged."

Many Men Signing Up
"Many men are signing up for reenlistment because they realize," he said, "that conditions outside are in a state of flux, and they prefer to stay in the service for a year until things have settled down."

Not a few men, Lieutenant Rose said, "are enlisting for three years, because they have found that the army offers them a career with excellent opportunities, and a future of security. Roughly, about 25 per cent of our enlistments are for three year terms."

Lieutenant Rose emphasized the necessity of men who want to reenlist doing so now. "The deadline of January 31 for all enlistments with the same rank the enlistee already holds," Lieutenant Rose says, "is still in effect. After that date, men can no longer sign up and keep their stripes."

Assisting Lieutenant Rose in the reenlistment work at Fourth Headquarters is First Lieutenant Fred W. Reif.

They called her the Village Queen because every poker player in town held her.

Once upon a time there was a little bee and it got a little bumble from heaven.

A light oil in solution is used in the generator to atomize into infinitesimal particles and the present design is adapted to 100 gallons an hour.

Machine Devised to Rid Homes of Flies, Moths

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19—(AP) In the peacetime world you may be able to turn on a machine and destroy flies, mosquitoes and moths in wholesale numbers without damaging food, clothing or home furnishings.

The machine is known as the Todd Insecticide Fog Applicator, and is being manufactured here by an affiliate of Todd-Johnson Dry Docks, Inc. It is an adaptation of a fog generator developed to screen hostile fleets and invading armies.

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WD to Continue Bond Allotments

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Income Tax Revisions Listed By J. A.'s Office

The Revenue Act of 1945 was approved 8 November 1945. For taxpayers generally (including servicemen) changes have been made in the rates of tax and credits for dependents which will be applicable only to income received or accrued after 31 December 1945 and will not be applicable this year. These changes consist of a reduction in surtax rates of 3 percent in each bracket with a further reduction of 5 percent of the total of the normal tax and surtax, and the allowance of the same credits for spouse and dependents against the normal tax net income as for surtax net income.

For servicemen additional exemptions and deductions have been provided which are applicable to the year 1945 and prior years, as outlined below:

List Exemptions: (1) In the case of commissioned officers, the exemption of \$1500 of service pay for the year 1943 and subsequent years has been retained, but it is now applicable whether the pay is received before or after release from active duty. (2) In the case of enlisted men and warrant officers, all compensation (military) received (before or after discharge) during any taxable year beginning after 31 December 1940 and before the termination of the war, for active service in the military forces during the war, is excluded from gross income. This exemption applies also to the compensation received for service as enlisted men or

warrant officers by commissioned officers who were formerly in the military service. (It will be noted that the statute is ambiguous with respect to compensation for service between 31 December 1940 and 7 December 1941, but pending the issuance of regulations by the Treasury Department it should be assumed that compensation for service during that period is exempt.) Thus all enlisted personnel and warrant officers have no income tax liability with respect to service pay and are relieved of filing returns with respect thereto. If tax has been paid on such pay it will be refunded. Claim for refund of tax paid on income for the years 1941 or the year 1942 should be filed before 1 January 1947; for subsequent years before three years after the return was filed.

Deferrals: (1) In the case of commissioned officers other than those in the Regular Army (the phrase "the regular component of the Army" as used in Section 3808(a)(1) and (d) means the Regular Army), the tax is deferrable to compensation for active service after Dec. 31, 1939 and before Jan. 1, 1947 may be paid in twelve installments, the first on the "first installment date" and an additional twelve every three months thereafter until the tax is paid. The "first installment date" means: (a) 15 May 1946 for those released from active duty prior to December 1, 1945; (b) the fifteenth day of the sixth month which begins after the date of release from active duty for those who are released after 30 November 1945 and prior to 1 December 1946; (c) 15 June 1947 for all others; and (d) a special rule applying only with respect to taxes for the year 1946 is that if the taxpayer is released after 1 January 1946 and before 1 September 1946, for those individuals the "first installment date" is the date of release from active duty after 15 March 1947.

(2) If a commissioned officer other than a Regular Army Officer is or will be entitled to defer payment of the tax on his service pay for any taxable year under the foregoing provisions, he may disregard all of his service pay for such year in determining the necessity of filing a declaration of estimated tax and in computing his estimated tax and such payment will not be regarded in determining whether he has made a substantial underestimate for that year.

If none of the above takes the goods, the sale may be made to foreign governments buying for relief or rehabilitation. After that, offers may be made by the government of the country where the goods are located. And finally other buyer may submit his bid.

Because the policy is to maintain the most advantageous return to the American taxpayer, sales are made wherever possible for American dollars. In some instances, however, it may be necessary to take exchange for the goods. The first World War found the government unprepared for the quick handling of surplus property.

Early in the second World War it was recognized that because of the vastness of the scale of fighting and because of the far greater weight of material that backed up each soldier, the surplus property would be much more difficult. As far back as 1943, the War Department placed rigid stock control system in effect to control purchases and to release surplus as they were needed. At the end of the war, the Army had released substantial quantities of surplus and disposal agencies were stepping up the rate at which they were placing this surplus on the market.

The declaration of Army surplus will be speeded as rapidly as the disposal agencies can move the goods to civilian hands as a part of the orderly demobilization of the nation's fighting machine.

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(4) Provision is also made for deferment of the tax on any service man's civilian earnings income beginning after 31 December 1939 but before 1 January 1942 and before his entry into the service. If his income tax for such year became due and payable after his entry into the service, such tax may be paid in twelve installments on the "first installment date" and each three months thereafter until paid.

(5) As a condition of deferment of the tax on service pay or preserve earned income, application therefor must be made prior to the "first installment date" (see (1) above), under regulations prescribed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue. Such regulations have not yet been promulgated. The act does not affect the due dates for filing final income tax returns. If such returns fall due prior to the issuance of such regulations, and the taxpayer desires to defer payment of income tax, the return should be accompanied by a letter stating his intention to make application for deferment.

(6) If interest has been paid upon the tax on any service pay or preserve earned income with respect to which the taxpayer would have been entitled to postpone payment under the provisions if the tax had not been paid, such interest will be refunded if claim therefor is filed prior to 1 January 1947.

(7) The provisions of this Act are in addition to and do not take away the deferment privilege under the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act and other provisions of law.

K-9s Howl, Gripe In Calcutta, Just Like the Soldiers



DYNAMIC SONGSTRESS Lucille Carroll has been held over at the Club Matag by popular demand, the management has announced. Acclaimed a success on some of the nation's top entertainment circuits, Lucille has been drawing large crowds for the Club's two nightly floor shows.

Surplus— Continued from Page 11 and shipping them abroad to meet their commitments. By using surplus, a substantial burden is taken off our shipping and industry. What the government agencies don't take will be offered to American educational, charitable, and religious institutions for their use abroad.

The next priority goes to American manufacturers who want to buy their own surplus goods. This priority allows a manufacturer to protect his foreign and his trade name, and to sell his surplus goods for sale through established outlets. His use or re-sale of surplus is subject to the regulations of that country. Surplus of this type become "advance goods" available for sale to foreign countries while our own industrial plant is in the process of reconstruction.

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(7) The provisions of this Act are in addition to and do not take away the deferment privilege under the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act and other provisions of law.

General Order No. 1



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General Caffey's Biography Shows Varied Army Career

Biographical sketch of General Caffey, new Post Commanding General, shows a varied military career for his 28 years in the service.

An overseas veteran of both World Wars, General Caffey first served at Fort Benning in 1921 with the 24th Infantry. The following year he attended the Officers' Advanced course at the Infantry School at Schofield Barracks, N. C., and returned to the Infantry School as an instructor.

Graduated from the University of Michigan in 1916 with a degree of Bachelor of Law, General Caffey was commissioned a second lieutenant in the regular army on March 22, 1917, two weeks before the United States entered the first World War.

His promotion to the rank of temporary captain followed in August, 1917, and to the permanent rank of captain in July, 1918. In October, 1918, he was promoted to major and reverted to permanent rank of captain on May 8, 1920. He made his permanent majority on February 16, 1920, and boosted to lieutenant colonel in 1931. Temporary rank of colonel followed on October 4, 1941, and his appointment as a brigadier general was approved on November, 1942.

The general spent three months at the Officers' Training Camp, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., after he entered the Army in 1917. Assignment to the 16th Infantry followed before he was sent to France in January 1918.

Serving in many major campaigns including the Meuse-Argonne offensive, General Caffey earned the Distinguished Service Medal and became assistant plans and training officer for the Eighth Army Corps. He was assigned to the 36th Infantry division in March, 1918, and returned to the United States three months later.

A short tour of duty with the 46th Infantry followed at Camp Jackson, S. C., until January, 1920, when General Caffey was transferred to the quartermaster corps at the Columbus (Ohio) Barracks. Reverting to his permanent rank of captain, after the general reduction in officers' strength after the first World War, General Caffey became aide to Gen. Robert Bullard at Governor's Island, N. Y. He served as aide to Gen. Harry Hale from June to October, 1922, and then again served General Bullard.

Assigned to Fort Benning in October, 1924, General Caffey then a captain was a company officer with the 24th Infantry. He took the Officers' Advanced

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the Command and General Staff school at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., later moving to Council Bluffs, Iowa as instructor for the Iowa national guard.

In May, 1937, the general was sent to the Philippines as a liaison officer to high commissioner of the Philippines, Paul V. McNutt. In March 1938, General Caffey became senior military advisor to Commissioner McNutt and then returned to the United States in June, 1939, for an assignment with the 28th Infantry at Plattsbarracks. From July to September 1940, General Caffey served as executive officer to the First Army during maneuvers in New York, later becoming aide to Gen. Hugh A. Drum with the First Army on Governor's Island.

General Caffey was named plans training officer in Governor's Island in July, 1941, and the following April was given command of the 39th Infantry at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Embarking for overseas a few

months later, General Caffey became plans and training officer for the Army Forces General Headquarters in the North African theater and served in several yet undisclosed special assignments in Europe prior to his return to the United States in September last year.

He commanded the Seventh Headquarters, and Headquarters Detachment, Special Troops, Fourth Army, Camp Bowie, Tex., as until his assignment to the Returnee Advisory board in Washington.

General Caffey is a native of Salt Lake City, Utah, where his brother, Dr. Jack Caffey, is a practicing physician. His cousin Eugene Caffey, served as judge-advocate of The Infantry School as a major for many years.

Mrs. Caffey is well known in Columbus. She spent several months with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Meadows, while the general was overseas in this war.

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Fort Benning Parade

By MARY D. KEATLEY
Col. Robert S. Miller, here on leave from the European Theater, has received in warm welcome from many old friends on the post, particularly officers of The Infantry School, of which he was former Secretary.

Col. Miller took part in the invasion of North Africa, undergoing the grim experience of remaining in the water for twelve hours when the ship to which he was assigned was torpedoed and sunk. At this time he was War Department observer in the G3 Section on the Staff of General Mark W. Clark.

While instructing at the School from Sept. 1941 to May 1942, Col. Miller was renowned for his excellent course in Moral Discipline and Leadership. He returned to

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the village—Baptist, Methodist, and Catholic mass. There was a library exhibit, a kindergarten exhibit, and a Scout table showing handicraft of the Boy Scouts.

Beginners' bridge classes and parties for advanced players take place every Friday in the Administration Building, and knitting classes are taught by Mrs. R. M. Woodson, volunteer instructor. Attracting much interested attention was the display of leathercraft work basket and cloth weaving made by adult residents. Beautiful hand-tooled camera cases, belts, cigarette cases and handbags were much admired as were cork mats, shopping bags and trays, constructed under the direction of Miss Mamie McCollochs, who is in charge of regular bi-weekly classes. There is a charge for this instruction other than the actual cost of the materials used.

Members of the Teen Tavern helped serve tea, presided over by Mrs. Robert Corbin, Home Councilor for the Columbus Housing Authority. They were also responsible for the attractive decorations which included a tree surrounded by presents in colorful wrappings.

Spanish classes are now being held each Tuesday evening at 7:30 in Parlor B of the Officers Club. Beginners as well as advanced students of the language are encouraged to attend.

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Followers of the hounds at Benning and other convivial souls will be delighted to know that Christmas Hunt has been planned for the morning of Dec. 27. The hunt will be in the vicinity of the hounds The Infantry School Hunt will track the fox to his lair. Arrangements for being made for a Hunt Breakfast where those not taking part in the riding may still foregather for a jolly time.

Officers and ladies of the Parachute School may look forward to two big holiday dances to be given in B-hanger at Lawson Field. The first on Dec. 21, and the second New Year's Eve. In past years these dances have been the highlight of TPS social season with varicolored parachutes decorating the huge hangar. Entertainment has also been planned for the enlisted personnel of all units.

Yuletide revelry will reach a climax on New Year's Eve with the traditional Officers Club ball. There, with Army dance bands, the background for all the colors of the spectrum and amid the rustle of ladies evening gowns, and the popping of champagne corks and balloons, Fort Benning will ring in the glad New Year.

College girls and boys have been arriving daily, delighted for a brief spell to put away all thought of books and relax in the pleasant company of family and friends.

Returning from Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., Saturday, were Mary Ann and Patton Galloway, attractive daughters of Col. and Mrs. Floyd E. Galloway of this post. From the University of Georgia will come Jean Aaron, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Thomas R. Aaron, and Catherine Mitchell, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Clair E. Mitchell. Jean and Catherine are freshman roommates and arrived Monday.

Col. and Mrs. J. V. Thompson plan a gala family reunion with daughter Martha and Mrs. Thompson's parents, Col. and Mrs. H. E. Mann arriving from Athens December 20.

Charlotte Fariss, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Walter B. Fariss, expected December 20 from Duke University, where she is a Junior.

Cadet John Watkins is returning on Christmas furlough from West Point to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Elliott Watkins, now residing at Torch Hill Heights.

A merry round of parties is being planned to entertain Capt. and Mrs. Harvey T. Groesbeck who will arrive to visit Maj. Gen. and Mrs. John W. O'Daniel, Mrs. Groesbeck is Gen. and Mrs. O'Daniel's daughter.

Lt. Col. and Mr. Albert H. Dickerson departed from Fort Benning Saturday morning, where they will visit Capt. and Mrs. Guy Hartman of Miami Beach. They also plan to visit Capt. and Mrs. Kelly, U. S. N., and to take in the races at Gulfstream.

Friends of Miss Betty Lucas, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Burton Lucas will be happy to know that she has recovered from a flu attack and will be home for Christmas with the rest of the college crowd. Betty attends



OFF-LIMIT BAN for males inside WAC barracks was relaxed Monday night to permit Bayonet Photo Phil Charleston to snap this scene of Parachute School WACs as they go about their setting-up exercises for a waist-reducing program now that the gals are nearing civilian status again. In the photo, left to right, are: Sgt. Loretta Wisniewski, Sgt. Irene Jenkins, Sgt. Muriel Tuteur, Sgt. Thelma Buck, Sgt. Irene Bedwell, Sgt. Frances Day, Sgt. Mary Smith, Sgt. Jean Baines and Sgt. Louise Goodman. (Signal Lab Photo by Phil Charleston)

Troop Carriers Called Essential Air Component

ED. NOTE: The following article was written by the commanding general of the Ninth Troop Carrier Command—of which Lawson Field is one of nine bases—outlining the work of the Troop Carriers in the war and pointing the need of the carriers in the post-war planning.

BY MAJ. GEN. PAUL L. WILLIAMS, USA
CG, 9th Troop Carrier Command

Born and tested in the early years of World War II, Troop Carrier-Airborne further proved itself in the final stages of three years, a new military concept—vertical envelopment—has been developed and tested on a massive scale, a new concept which promises to affect all future military operations.

In the final phases of the war, the Troop Carrier Command was called upon to perform several outstanding missions. When the German breakthrough occurred in December, Troop Carrier came to the rescue of the defenders of Bastogne, succeeding in getting through 842 planes for aerial delivery of cargo and troops. Similar to this was the relief of Crailsheim, when aerial supply rescued an army of 100,000 men who had been cut off.

This dying thrust of the Nazi war machine delayed, but failed to stop, Operation "Varsity" which spearheaded the Allied leap across the Rhine in March 1945, and demonstrated the ever-increasing efficiency of the Troop Carrier-Airborne team. In "Varsity" 1,177 planes dropped 8,731 parachutes and 687,217 pounds of supplies, while the 355 gliders delivered 4,810 troops and 2,024,047 pounds of equipment and supplies. By far the most successful aerial delivery in Greece, continued. On two-day notice an aerial lift was performed in January transferring 2,000 troops from the front lines in Northern Italy. Here too, as the Allied ground forces rolled at high speed, Troop Carrier was called upon to supply the ground forces from the rear. On the other side of the globe, in the India-Burma theatre, Troop Carrier Command organized special Combat Cargo units to help resupply Italian and Yugoslavian partisans behind German lines, and British troops in Greece, continued. On two-day notice an aerial lift was performed in January transferring 2,000 troops from the front lines in Northern Italy. Here too, as the Allied ground forces rolled at high speed, Troop Carrier was called upon to supply the ground forces from the rear. On the other side of the globe, in the India-Burma theatre, Troop Carrier Command organized special Combat Cargo units to help resupply Italian and Yugoslavian partisans behind German lines, and British troops in Greece, continued.

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Former Filipino Guerrillas Complete Benning Course

By PVT. IRVING LANDER
There is an interesting story connected with the 13 Filipino officers who were graduated last Thursday from Officers' Refresher course No. 10 at Fort Benning. They had just completed 12 weeks of comprehensive training in the newest methods of infantry instruction.

Sent by their government to fight after the Japs started to surrender en masse, the Filipino officers all had been members of the United States Armed Forces of the Far East under Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur. When Bataan and Corregidor fell in 1942, these officers were among those who refused to surrender to the Japs. They took to the hills and operated in the daring, courageous guerrilla units that furnished such invaluable intelligence data to the U. S. army all through the Pacific struggle. One of the number, Maj. Antonio Goto, survived the "Bataan Death March" and managed to escape in April, 1942. The guerrilla units were operated independently of each other, so that the loss of one island to the Japs could not result in collapse of the whole structure of resistance.

Contacted MacArthur
Six months after the official surrender of the Philippines, the guerrilla forces, according to Lt. Col. Pedro Serran, were able to make radio contact with Gen. MacArthur's headquarters in Australia. At first, the news of their resistance seemed so incredible that the Americans sent a sub to verify the extent of their operations. Shortly thereafter, the guerrilla leaders were directed by General MacArthur to round up Jose M. Cruz, Lt. Col. Ruperto Muelato, Lt. Gabriel S. Calingo, and Lt. Sergio M. Isada.

Printed Newspaper
All through the resistance, guerrillas from around Iloilo City, printing the Tiempo Times, a one-time civilian newspaper, kept a press there to the hill country. They published accounts of American progress in the Pacific and wrote counter-propaganda for the benefit of lowland residents, even smuggling copies into Jap garrisons where could not result in collapse of the whole structure of resistance.

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Chapels

POST CHAPEL: Communion 8 a. m. Sunday school in the Children's School at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Anthem: "Before the Heavens were Spread Broad"—Horatio Parker. Sermon, "Chaplain Frederick W. Heller. Offertory, "Carol of the Wines"—Simone. Children's Christmas Program at 6:30 p. m. Chaplain Heller.

PARISH CHAPEL: Morning worship at 8:30 a. m. Communion each first Sunday. Vespers, Sunday evening at 6:00 p. m. Chaplain Charles C. Mosher.

ASF REGIONAL HOSPITAL: Morning worship for the Medical Detachment. Patients and nurses in the Red Cross building at 10:30 a. m.—Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

FIRST STED. TRNG. REGT.: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

4TH BATTALION, FIRST STED. TRNG. REGT.: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

SERVICE BATTALION, FIRST STED. TRNG. REGT.: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

RECEPTION CENTER: Sunday Bible class in Reception Center Theater at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Evening worship 7:00 p. m.—Chaplain Theodore E. Brown.

ARMY FIELD CHAPEL: Sunday Mass at 8:00 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

LAWSON FIELD CHAPEL: Sunday Mass at 8:00 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

HARMONY CHURCH AREA: Masses at 8:00 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

THIRD STED. TRNG. REGT.: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

O-C RECEPTION UNIT: Morning worship at 10:30 a. m. Chaplain Walter E. Shaw.

75th Fooled Germans

There were times, during fighting on the western front, when the sorely beset Germans were ready to swear there were two 75th Infantry Divisions. The 75th—and there is only one—was the only American division to fight the front with such rapidity that observing their progress was like watching a fast tennis match.

The 75th was bloodied in the Battle of the Bulge, where it saw 26 days of bitter action in freezing cold. Operating in the northern flank of the Ardennes salient in Belgium, the 75th cleared Saltschateau and Sech, and opened the important highway to Vielsalm. Sweeping down to the Seventh Army front, in the Colmar-Brisach area, the 75th eliminated the German pocket of resistance between Colmar and the Rhine.

Gala Christmas Planned for 5th Ave. USO

"Christmas and the holiday week-end will be celebrated at the 5th Avenue USO, Army and Navy YMCA, with a varied program of activities for servicemen and women, their families and friends," said George C. Kelsey, Ph.D., dean of school of religion, Morehouse college, as he prepared for the 5th Avenue USO Christmas party, which will be held Saturday, Dec. 22—Pre-Christmas dance, with orchestra, 8 p. m.



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Medal Winner Is Assigned To Academic Regiment, TIS

Capt. Quentin M. Derryberry, who recently returned from Europe, where he was twice awarded the Bronze Star Medal for heroism and meritorious achievement in combat, has been assigned to The Infantry School for duty with the information and education of the Academic Regiment.

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SPEBSQSA IS NO MYTH TO DECATUR, ILL.

DECATUR, Ill., Dec. 12 (UP)—The Decatur chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., one of the most active in the nation, refutes the opinion that the SPEBSQSA is just a funny myth.

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HUNT BLUE DRUM
HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 27 (UP)—Police Lt. S. J. Isard sent a message to the public saying that if anyone should see a blue-50-gallon steel drum on the streets of the city, he should call the police at once—and not strike any matches.

California Firm Plans 'Truckette' Production

HUNTINGTON PARK, Calif., Dec. 12 (UP)—A three-wheeled pickup truck designed to simplify small deliveries is scheduled for production soon by the Toolcraft Manufacturing Co.

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